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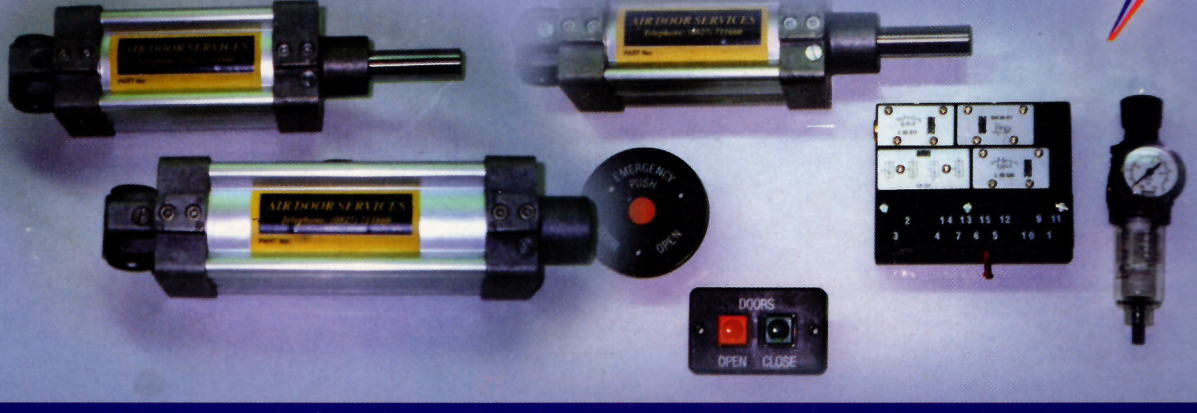

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EDITORIAL

What the shows tell us

THREE show reports in one issue of *CBW* provide plenty of interest at what would otherwise be a quiet time of the year. From Dublin we hear that the pioneer Irish coach and bus exhibition is a big success with exhibitors and operators lifted by the buoyant Irish economy. From Madrid comes another spectacular success story where the manufacturers turn on the style, whereas on the domestic front, the Community Transport Association's 'event' is the launchpad for much innovation.

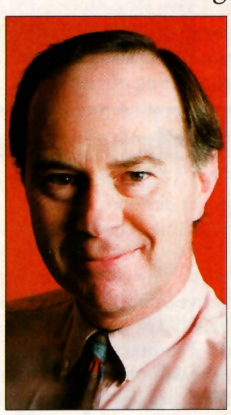
First the CTA show. Attracting attention - but raising questions - was the Yellow School Bus that has been doing the rounds over recent weeks, generating headlines wherever it goes. However, we understand that such a vehicle does not meet UK regulations without some sort of derogation. Visitors to Telford were quick to point to an apparent contradiction. If it is deemed children are not safe on current PSVs that do comply with current rules, why dilute those rules to allow them to travel on a dedicated vehicle?

We believe the industry needs a very convincing answer to this question.

After years of being bombarded by an endless stream of safety regulations - speed limiter, ABS, roll-over, seatbelts - not to mention a relentless attack by parent pressure groups, this industry has been forced to shoulder more than its fair share of additional costs. While in a perfect world these costs would have been passed on to the end user, the simple truth is that they haven't. So, if the rules are relaxed in favour of the Yellow School Bus, can we have a cast-iron guarantee that these vehicles will not be used to undermine the commercial viability of other operators?

Elsewhere at the Telford show we have more evidence of the ability of the minibus sector to seize opportunities - some exhibitors said they had done tremendous business.

This sector was equally buoyant in Dublin where high-specification smaller vehicles reflected high-demand from the incoming tourism market.



Meanwhile, in Madrid the considerable presence of minibuses was in line with current market trends. Minibus sales may be down 9% in Spain but this is less dramatic than a near 18% drop in the big coach and bus arenas.

However, the lasting memory of a hectic week must be the exhibition of Spanish design flair at the Madrid show. Head-turning vehicles appeared in every corner of the three halls, confirming Spain as the design centre of European coach and bus world.

MIKE MORGAN, *Editor*

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TDI Irish deal further boost in Europe

TRANSPORT advertising agency TDI has signed a new five-year contract with CIE - the state-owned Irish transport operating company. In a deal that will further strengthen its considerable European position, TDI retains the exclusive contract to sell all the advertising on Irish buses, railway, DART (the light rail system), all bridges, special sites, six-sheet and 48-sheet poster sites. TDI Europe's chief executive Tom Goddard said: "There is nothing more rewarding in business than to have your clients endorse your operations by reappointing a contract. We are delighted to retain this franchise partnership, which reaffirms the quality and professionalism of TDI Ireland's business practice over the past five years. The CIE contract gives us a unique position in the Irish Outdoor market and consolidates TDI's position as a major outdoor player following the earlier acquisition of Giraudy (France), SMA (Italy) and Mediamax (Holland) earlier this year."

Bus driver sacked over alleged attack

A BUS driver has been sacked after an alleged attack on a man who had parked close to a bus stop. The incident is reported to have taken place on 21 November in Horsforth, Leeds. A spokesman for First Leeds has confirmed that a driver had been dismissed. West Yorkshire Police also said they were investigating an alleged assault on a man and confirmed that enquiries were ongoing.

Travel West Midlands graffiti crackdown

TRAVEL West Midlands is set to crack down on graffiti following evidence that over 65% of its bus fleet at Perry Barr Garage has been targeted by 'taggers'. The company has recently invested nearly £2m in new, easy access double deck buses for routes in the North Birmingham area. The company, in conjunction with West Midlands Police, has already identified a total of 7 people who have been involved in graffiti tagging. Police enquiries are continuing.

Southern Vectis acquires 'green' firm

ISLE OF Wight-based environment and transport group, Southern Vectis, has made a further acquisition for its environmental pollution control division. Through Eastleigh-based Conder Products Ltd, Southern Vectis has acquired the business and assets of Fibre Reinforced Products Ltd which has two divisions based in its manufacturing facility at Peterlee. Southern Vectis regard FRP as a good fit with Conder Products whose core product is also GRP tanks for the interception of surface water containing oil pollution.

Strathclyde travel centre festive hours

DETAILS of the opening hours of Strathclyde Passenger Transport's network of travel centres over the festive season are now available. Travel centres will be closed on Christmas Day, Boxing Day, New Years Day and 2 January 2001, with some exceptions. The travel centre at Buchanan bus station will be open between 0900 hrs and 1800 hrs on 26 December and on New Years Day. It will also be open between 0800 hrs and 2200 hrs on 2 January. The travel centre at Glasgow International Airport will also be open on Boxing Day and 2 January between 0900 hrs and 1700 hrs. Hamilton and East Kilbride travel centres will be open on 2 January between 0900 hrs and 1700 hrs.

Agency chosen to handle Triapt image

A MIDLANDS multi-disciplinary agency has been appointed to handle all aspects of the corporate image development of The Triapt Group and its subsidiary companies, Somers Vehicle Lifts and TotalKare. The Charles Group, of Kingwinford, near Dudley, beat off strong competition to win the account, worth an estimated £150,000 a year.

New low-emission buses being introduced

Grt. Manchester

By Mike Morgan

GROWING FEARS over air pollution could well lead to diesel-powered buses being banned from Greater Manchester's roads.

After a report highlighted the problems of air quality in many parts of Greater Manchester, Roger Jones, chairman of the influential Greater Manchester Passenger Transport Authority policy committee, said that the new low-emission buses now being introduced would not be enough to solve the problem.

As a consequence, officers have been instructed to look at transport initiatives aimed at improving air quality in line with Government standards, including the possibility of allowing only electric or gas-powered buses into the worst affected areas, including major roads in the area as well as Manchester city centre. Public transport obviously had a vital role to play in cutting down the number of cars on the country's roads and was something that had a tangible impact on air quality, said Councillor Jones. Metrolink produced no fumes at street level but the truth was that by 2008 large parts of the city would still not be served by the system. It was time to take a hard look at buses and, though the PTA welcomed the fact that most bus operators were choosing to invest in low-emission vehi-

Dorset Travel Services deal

DORSET Travel Services (DTS) the coaching subsidiary of Bournemouth Transport, has signed a three-year contract with Bournemouth International Airport to operate the service between Bournemouth town centre and the airport.

Glyn Jones, managing director of the airport, said: "We have recently adopted an airport surface access strategy, which ensures that coach and bus links to the airport receive priority.

"Prior to this contract with DTS, we operated our own bus route to Bournemouth and the surrounding area but, to offer our passengers the highest possible standards, we recently took the decision to outsource this."

DTS has introduced a new 24-seat Mercedes-Benz minicoach purchased specifically for the service.

It's a deal: Glyn Jones and DTS chief exec Marc Reddy

Alpha Hull comeback

ALPHA Coaches has returned to operating commercial services in Hull after a gap of eight years.

The company has started two routes linking the city centre with the Boothferry Estate from Monday to Saturday and providing a 15-minute frequency. For some passengers this will offer buses every seven or eight minutes as the route is very akin to, although not a mirror of, Stagecoach's routes 1 and 2.

Alpha has acquired four ex-London Leyland Titans supported by Renaults with Northern Counties bodywork and Mercedes Varios.

Alpha returns to commercial service operation in Hull with four ex-London Titans and some minibuses

Since dropping its commercial services in 1992 and selling the buses to East Yorkshire, Alpha has concentrated on its coaching operations and only operated school buses - up to 16 double deckers at one time - until the Hull City Council contract for Handyrider was won. The company recently gained part of the Hull - Scunthorpe contract and both these services employ a Dart SLF.

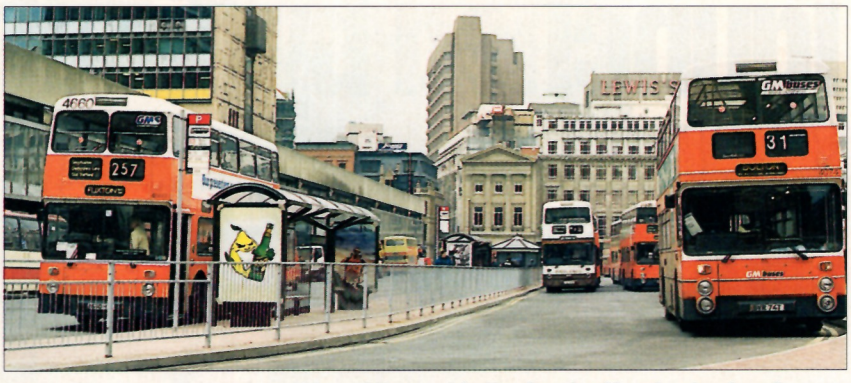
will not be enough to solve problem says GMPTA chief

may ban diesel buses

cles, the extent of air pollution in some areas could warrant restrictions.

He suggested that deadlines could be set for the introduction of gas and electric-powered buses, and he urged operators to bring forward experimental schemes.

"Do we just take a note of worsening air quality or do we so something about it?" asked Councillor Jones. "We led the way with Metrolink and we can do so with clean buses as well."



Could diesel buses soon be a thing of the past in the Greater Manchester Area?

ExpoCoach to be held again at the NEC

EXPO MANAGEMENT Ltd, organisers of ExpoCoach 2000 exhibition, held at Birmingham's National Exhibition Centre in October, have acted promptly on the positive response to the show by confirming its re-appearance at the NEC once more from 1-3 October 2002. At that time it will move to the newer halls with their improved access and visitor facilities.

ExpoCoach 2000 had an attendance in excess of 5,500 and was the largest so far in this biennial series. More than 200 exhibitors - over 60 in the tourism sector - took part in the show, which is billed as an event of manageable size, where all involved in coach operation and group travel have the time to meet and talk detail.

Exhibition director, Mark Griffin, said: "It is clear that Expocoach is now firmly established in a first-class venue and that the industry welcomes the opportunity which it provides as a trade forum in the years when there are no other major UK-based shows catering for this sector.

"Everyone was delighted with the appearance of the halls and the effort which the exhibitors clearly put into their stands. The importance they attach to the event was evidenced by the great number of new product launches and first public showings which were held there."

The tourism village green was voted a success by CTC secretary Derrick Allsop and Barry Prior of ever-present Wedlake Saint says the quality of visitor was very good.

Another founder exhibitor, Coach Europe sales director Alan Wilson, reports a strong follow-up to the show that could net 25-30 vehicle orders, while Jo Stanbridge of Volvo says that, despite ExpoCoach being "a dealer show", it had been "excellent for us."

ExpoCoach: over 5,500 visitors

Hunt for driver

POLICE are trying to trace the driver of a single-deck coach or bus believed to have been at the scene of a fatal accident on the A4 between Marlborough and Hungerford on Friday 20 October at 1243 hrs.

Wiltshire Constabulary says a collision occurred at the junction to Great Bedwyn and involved a blue Subaru Impreza, index V554 KAM, and a blue Renault Megane, index R816 BPU.

A number of witnesses say there was a single-deck coach or bus at the scene which was not involved. Ring Pc John Goldie at Devizes on 01380 735004 or Salisbury traffic department on 01722 435357.

'Major review of bus services needed'

A FUNDAMENTAL review of the way bus services are organised, marketed and provided is necessary to attract people out of their cars and back on to public transport.

This statement is the key theme of a document called *A Better Future For Buses* produced by ATCO (the Association of Transport Co-ordinating Officers).

A comprehensive improvement in public transport quality throughout the country - not just on a few high-profile routes - is the key objective. ATCO believes this can only be achieved by local authorities (LAs), operators and other interested parties, working in partnership to develop a series of 'Quality Bus Contracts'.

ATCO argues these would set standards of service in locally-defined areas and require operators and LAs to deliver quality improvements needed to transfer people from cars on to buses.

Brian Welch, vice-chairman of ATCO and principal author of the report, said the proposals aimed to deliver a framework of regulation operators and LAs could accept.

He said: "The present 'deregulated' system is unsatisfactory in many respects but we would not wish to see a return to wholesale regulation. The proposals involve local authorities outlining, in a Local Transport Plan, standards for bus services in each area, which existing operators would be invited to meet commercially. If they can achieve this, they would be given every opportunity to develop the market within these areas in the way they think best, provided that the quality standards are met.

"If they cannot provide the network commercially, or with minimal amounts of subsidy, tenders would be invited for operating the whole network. 'Cherry-picking' would not be permitted. In addition, 'low quality' on-the-road competition would be stopped, although 'high quality' innovative competition would not."

ATCO chairman Darien Goodwin claimed it was necessary to create a virtuous circle of increasing quality leading to increasing numbers of passengers - leading to more revenue to fund further improvements.

He added: "I recognise that, initially, this will require far greater funding... ATCO advocates that the Local Transport Plan would identify sources of funding which could come, not just from the Government, but from levying charges on private non-residential parking, for example. The Local Transport Plan would explain how this will be used to secure higher quality bus services."

ATCO accepts this process will take time but believes the Government should give its proposal urgent consideration in the transport policy review and get legislation on to the statute book quickly.

Global alliance

CATERPILLAR INC. and DaimlerChrysler AG have agreed on a 50/50 global alliance to develop, manufacture, market and distribute medium-duty engines, fuel systems and other powertrain components.

The agreement provides the framework for a number of joint ventures, supply agreements and co-operative projects, subject to the consent of US and European regulators. Combined purchasing volumes will focus on delivering procurement cost synergies.

The alliance will create a medium-duty engine joint venture to develop, manufacture and market medium-duty engines. The sales volume of this joint venture is expected to grow significantly by mid-decade from a level of about US$2 billion for the combined parent companies in 2000.

Additionally, a fuel systems joint venture will emerge. The sales volume of this joint venture is expected nearly to triple by mid-decade from a level of about US$600 million for the combined parent companies in 2000. A third project includes research and engineering co-operation in combustion technology, electronics, air handling systems, exhaust aftertreatment and materials technology.

events

6 December: Integrated Transport - Lessons from Europe. PTIU conference hosted by Flintshire County Council, County Hall, Mold, Flintshire. Details on 0161 839 9040

7 December: Public Transport, Best Value and Benchmarking: How to Achieve Quality Improvements, seminar at University of Newcastle upon Tyne, details from Mrs L Morgan on 0191 222 7683

7 December: The Contribution of Congestion Reduction to the Urban Renaissance one day conference. The Radisson SAS Portman Hotel, Portman Square, London, W1H 9FL. Details on 020 7208 6000

13 December: Transport Economists' Group meeting: Rail re-franchising, 1730 hrs for 1800 hrs, Transport Studies Group, University of Westminster, 35 Marylebone Road, London NW1 5LS

14 December: Buses Worldwide meeting: Report on BWW 2000 overseas tour - St Petersburg & Moscow, 1830 hrs, Fred Tallant Hall, Drummond Street, NW1

18 January 2001: Excursions 2001 Exhibition, 1000 hrs to 1630 hrs, ExCeL Exhibition Centre, Docklands, London. Details 01926 888123

15 February 2001: Brake and Automotive Distribution Federation conference: Commercial vehicle maintenance in the 21st century, Volvo Bus and Truck, Warwick. Details on 01484 559909

20 February: Fuels Emissions and Air Quality Seminar, National Motor Cycle Museum, Birmingham. Details on 020 7630 1111

20-22 February 2001: Smart Card 2001 Exhibition, ExCeL Exhibition and Conference Centre, London. Details on 01895 454640 or *www.smartcard2001.co.uk*

3 March 2001: CPT Western Region Annual Dinner Dance & Cabaret at the Palace Hotel, Babbacombe Road, Torquay, Devon. Details on 01364 661365

20-22 March 2001: Busworld Shanghai, Shanghai Mart. Details on 00 32 51 22 60 60

21-22 March 2001: British Travel Trade Fair, NEC, Birmingham. Details on 020 8910 7736

3-5 April 2001: Interchange (examination of integrated transport) three-day forum, ExCeL, Docklands, London. Details on 0207 505 6828

3-5 April 2001: Telematics Automotive 2001, Birmingham. Details on 0121 323 3667

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10 February : *CBW* Coach Industry Awards, Hilton London Metropole Hotel

21-22 March: BTTF, NEC

21-22 April: UK Coach Rally, Brighton

20-25 May: UITP Congress, Earls Court, London

9-11 October: Coach & Bus 2001, National Exhibition Centre, Birmingham

Convenience, greater choice and flexibility for customers

Online ticketing service launched by FirstGroup

By Anna Turner

FIRSTGROUP launched its new online ticketing service last week, which aims at bringing convenience, greater choice and flexibility to its customers.

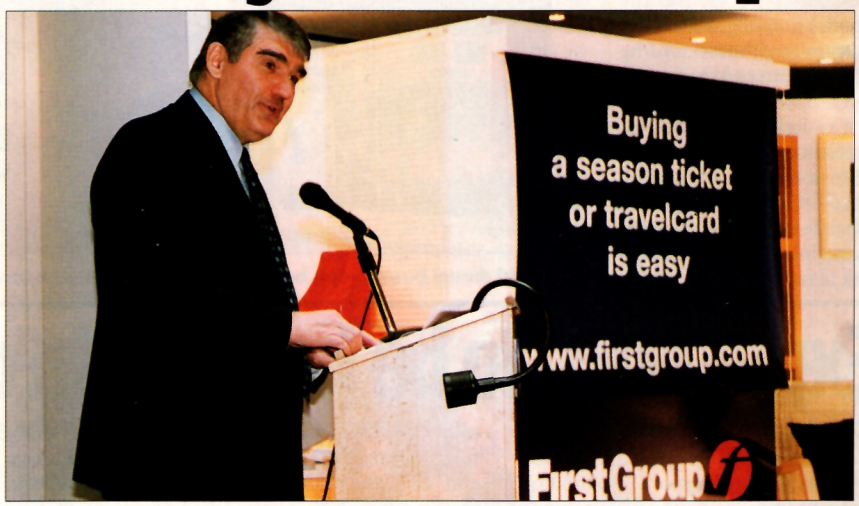
The group says it wants to cut the queues which often cause inconvenience for passengers when buying their season tickets and the service will be available for First's rail and bus passengers. Although train tickets have been available online for some time, FirstGroup is the first major transport company to offer bus and train season tickets and travelcards.

Accessing the online site from the office, home or any internet connection will give users the opportunity to buy a season ticket best suited to their travel needs.

The new facility offers bus users at selected locations throughout the UK the opportunity to buy their season tickets and travelcards using the internet.

FirstGroup bus companies are offering the bus internet sales service for ticket sales in Bradford, Bristol, Norwich, Glasgow, Halifax, Huddersfield, Leeds, Sheffield, Manchester and Stoke-on-Trent.

Other towns and cities served by other FirstGroup bus companies across the UK are due to go online in the next few months.



FirstGroup chief executive Moir Lockhead explains FirstGroup's new online service

Launching the new initiative, FirstGroup's chief executive, Moir Lockhead, said: "There are some areas of public transport that annoy passengers - one of those areas is queuing. FirstGroup is committed to making public transport more accessible and easier to use. We see the internet playing a key role in ensuring that customers can find out about bus and train services, and can buy their tickets from the comfort and convenience of their home or office."

Elaine Holt, managing director of FirstGroup's section which deals with technological advancement in public transport, told *CBW*: "Technology is playing an increasingly large role in getting passengers on to buses. The public is surrounded by the internet - they can access it from libraries, cafes, their own homes, offices and increasingly more places in their local community.

"This website provides a service which can be used by all members of a community. For those who are a little unfamiliar with the internet, we have a call centre, based in Plymouth which is available from 0700 hrs to 1000 hrs for people who might run into trouble using the website, although it is very easy to use and, if any mistakes are made, the customer can easily correct them. The website also has the added advantages of security and privacy for people ordering using credit or debit cards and the customer's ticket will be delivered in three days."

FirstGroup says it is keen to do more to attract passengers to public transport and believed technology such as the internet is ideal. For example, it is more convenient for those who are busy and don't like to waste time queuing.

Another advantage is for those members of the community who are not very familiar with the English language. In Bradford, which has a very high percentage of Asians, FirstGroup has delivered leaflets written in both Urdu and English, advertising the benefits of its website.

Bus and train users can access the new facility by logging on to the main FirstGroup website *www.firstgroup.com/buyaticket* or through the website of their local FirstGroup company.

Web message: FirstGroup's Elaine Holt with Moir Lockhead

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Access is theme of Community Transport Association 'event' at The Telford

Show paves way for disability

By Martin Cole

THIS year's Community Transport Association Event 2000 incorporating the annual conference and exhibition drew a lot of interest at its third showing in Telford. Held on 21-23 November at the Telford International Centre, it has now assumed a very professional look

The organisers had tried hard to smooth out the highs and lows experienced by exhibitors through rescheduling some of the seminars and attempting to spread the amount of time delegates were afforded to spend in the exhibition halls.

Traditionally there were flurries of activity whenever breaks for refreshment or lunch occurred and the new system helped to keep some delegates around for more of the day.

Optare and Caetano

FEWER of the major manufacturers attended this year but there was still strong support from Optare and Salvador Caetano UK.

Optare experienced a favourable reaction to its Solo last year and the recent launch of the Alero has provided the accessible sector with a new and exciting platform from which to specify its new vehicles.

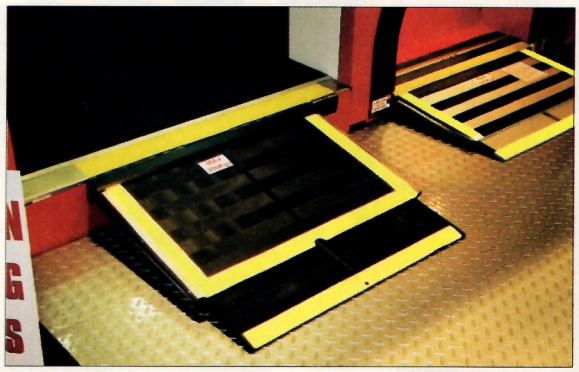
The Alero attracted the attention of Transport Minister Keith Hill, who attended an unveiling of the bus and discussed its relative merits with managing director Russell Richardson. Not only did Optare draw many admiring comments on the vehicle, so too did Mistral Group, which also had one to exhibit and will be offering it for contract hire and for sale.

Salvador Caetano UK exhibited its accessible Dennis Javelin-based Enigma that was supplied to Translinc last year.

Translinc personnel have been pleased with its performance and functionality, especially its ability to act as a dual-role vehicle that can perform conventional private hires in addition to accessible excursions and holiday tours.

Fitted with a PLS Access lift, the Enigma can board wheelchair-bound or infirm passengers through a centre, floor-level entrance that requires the removal of one pair of seats.

A first from Cogent - M1 double seats on two legs



Compak boarding ramp meets all DDA requirements

Schools transport

ATTRACTING the attention of local authority delegates was an American Blue Bird school bus bearing a First-Group logo. It attracted a great deal of comment, some favour-able but a lot negative.

Many agreed with the concept of providing dedicated, highly visible, school transport but few were impressed by the standard of finish or the quality of its interior.

Its short wheelbase and excessive rear overhang led many to feel it would be very dangerous to manoeuvre in restricted spaces. Others were concerned that such vehicles would not comply with UK regulations without some sort of derogation and argued that, if it was deemed children were not safe on current buses which did comply, why change the rules to allow them to travel on something inherently less safe?

While there was a great deal of merit and logic in this argument it is also true to say that these authorities have hardly beaten a path to the doors of Salvador Caetano or Plaxton, both of whom do build UK compliant 70-seater school buses, namely the Cutlass and Prima. The obvious reason is cost - but what price the safety of our children?

Innovations

THE CTA exhibition has nearly always provided something new and innovative and this year was no exception but it was clear that the bulk of the innovation has come from the seating industry and the lift or ramp manufacturers. There were many new seats and plenty of revised ones but Cogent stole the march on its competitors with the introduction of an M1 rated double seat that sat on just two legs.

Cogent says its Osprey range can be offered as a reclining seat with a lap belt to M1 standards or as a reclining seat with a lap and diagonal belt to M2. Operators have a choice, in both cases, of meeting the same requirements with the seat mounted on solid plate-steel legs or conventional leg struts. The main advantage of the two-leg system is that it provides a larger, more convenient, stowage space underneath.

Also new from Cogent was the Eagle recliner, that is M1 or M2 depending on the seatbelt choice, and an optional seat back that has a scalloped edge to create more gangway space, particularly at hip height. It is advantageous in minibuses like the LDV which has only a narrow gangway when 2+2 seating arrangements are specified. The company plans to introduce another groundbreaking development in the middle of 2001.

Access ramp manufacturers have been busy developing systems that will provide bus operators with a reliable automatic ramp that meets all the Disability Discrimination Act (DDA) requirements. Two now claim to have fully compliant systems but each is sceptical of the other's claim. PLS offers the PlusRamp and VIP Group offers the Compak Ramp.

PlusRamp is an integral cassette system that installs in the forward or centre entrance and deploys telescopically at the touch of a button. The Compak Ramp is also set into the bus floor and requires no chassis modification at all.

If the mechanism has to be removed at any time for maintenance, it leaves the floor platform intact, so the vehicle is not totally unserviceable. Compak Ramps work in conjunction with the Intellitec Multiplexed Electronic systems, ensuring all current interlocks and any future requirements can be accommodated.

PLS unveiled its latest Evolution lift project which is a fully automatic underfloor passenger lift. It completes all its essential functions at the touch of a single button. The only manual operation involved is for the driver to raise the side handrails. It will not go on general sale until the middle of next year.

The Evolution has undergone exhaustive reliability testing in the R&D department at PLS and is now being given a full field test with a London dial-a-ride.

PLS chairman Alan Ford said: "The lift will eventually be developed to full automation with no need for physical intervention whatsoever, but we need to ensure that the technology is 100% reliable before it goes into service."

Managing director of PLS, Tony Bull, was also pleased that initial hurdles over the company's DoorSafe device had also been overcome. He indicated that a degree of compromise had been reached and, provided that a gap of 325 mm was maintained between the device and the rear exit, it could be legally fitted.

This news had been welcomed by many local and health authorities that had requested such a device to prevent accidents to staff and passengers. It operates automatically to raise a barrier when the lift in is use. This prevents anyone aboard the vehicle from falling out. When the lift is raised, it automatically drops the barrier to allow access to the saloon.

International centre last week

awareness

The device was called for when it became apparent that some injuries and even deaths had occurred in circumstances where the lift was in its lowered position and passengers, drivers or assistants had not realised, falling backwards on to the ground. One death had been recorded where a driver had fallen, pulling the wheelchair and occupant after him.

Glide-Rite continues to have success with its lowering air suspension system and introduced two new products to increase its range. For use in conjunction with the lowered suspension, the company developed a lightweight folding ramp that is hinged in three places.

Fitted to a Renault Master from Excel Conversions, it provided sufficient platform length to offer a shallow gradient, making manual boarding of wheelchairs a simpler, easier operation. Its newest development, PAL - or power assisted loading - was being kept slightly under wraps as a patent is currently pending on the system.

PAL employs a special yoke that attaches to a wheelchair and the device runs along a track in the ramp and into the saloon providing powered assistance. The motor and track fits flush with the vehicle floor and it will pull loads of up to 400 kg. It only requires an assistant to guide the wheelchair when loading or unloading.

Plastic mouldings

THE appearance of UVG's Trekka-bodied Mercedes-Benz Sprinter at last year's show has sparked a trend for ABS plastic mouldings to clad vehicle interiors.

Mellor Coachcraft chose the event to announce it had been awarded the latest Renault Accord Technique certification and launched a new Renault Master that is now the official Renault UK marketed minibus. The vehicle is fitted with 14 saloon seats, plus two alongside the driver and saloon entry is via a sliding door on the nearside. The textured mouldings are very similar to the quality of those in car interiors and the roof lining was also a synthetic material with a 'woolly' appearance. The obvious advantages of the ABS mouldings are ease of cleaning and high durability combined with a 'factory finished' look.

UVG says that, one year on from the Trekka's launch, it has outsold expectations. On the stand was a new example for Brent Borough Council, one of eight and a repeat of last year's order.

The company said the material was highly regarded by customers and repeat orders suggested that it was proving satisfactory in service. There had been no reports of faults or degradation at this stage. Just two vehicles had been reported to have minor water leaks and both had been cured following a quick visit by the service team.

Smaller conversions

COACHBUILDER and converter Frank Guy had a joint stand this year with Whitacres, the latter company having been purchased earlier this year.

Cause for concern? Blue Bird's American school bus

Optare managing director Russell Richardson chats with transport minister Keith Hill

Sales manager Phillip Trennan reported brisk business in the smaller conversions sector but admitted that sales of larger buses, particularly 29-33 seaters, had dropped away.

However, he was pleased that the wide range based on Mercedes-Benz Sprinter, VW LT35/46, Ford Transit, Renault Master, Iveco Daily and LDV Convoy were selling strongly.

Rohill Bodies continues to satisfy specialist markets with the tri-axle Osprey, based on a Fiat Ducato, and the revolutionary lowfloor Harrier, based on a Renault Master. Two examples of the latter, one for Gloucestershire and one for Kingston-Upon-Hull, were on the stand.

Competition for the Osprey, since the demise of triaxle specialists TBC, now comes from the Lo-Glider, a joint development between Drinkwater Chassis Engineering, Fame and Leicester Carriage Builders.

Also based on a Fiat Ducato Maxi front end, it employs a low chassis frame developed by Fame and lowerable ECAS air suspension from Drinkwater.

The vehicle has a GVW of 5.350 tonnes and fills a gap in the market for vehicles offering higher weight capacity. Lo-Glider costs around £49,000-£53,000 depending on specification and choice between an access ramp or passenger lift.

The show vehicle could accommodate 12 seats and two wheelchairs, 16 seats or five wheelchairs plus four seats.

Wheelchair size proposal

AS always, the CTA exhibition elicited mixed responses from exhibitors, with some saying they had done tremendous business and others concerned as to whether it had been a viable exercise, but the majority were quite buoyant.

One feature that was causing concern, however, was the current DPTAC proposals over wheelchair size that could impose severe capacity limits on all accessible minibuses.

Steve Moore, director of Minibus Options, went to the unusual length of issuing a release on the proposals to alert visitors to the situation.

Its contents say the proposals affect any minibus used for the transport of wheelchairs, for whatever purpose. For example, a Mercedes-Benz Sprinter LWB would only be able to carry one wheelchair, irrespective of the number of saloon seats removed.

Newly-proposed step dimensions and floor heights would outlaw most minibuses, calling for the replacement of all Iveco, VW, Ford, Mercedes-Benz and LDVs - in some cases leading to complete fleet replacement. He warned that the consultation document issued by DPTAC last month must be replied to by 30 November and advised all interested parties to reply accordingly.

Mr Moore said: "DPTAC rightly states that its proposals are not a statutory requirement but why should we accept recommendations that do not work in practice?

{"Equally, what we accept today will pave the way to acceptance of impending, far more restrictive European legislation. I have provided details on our website *www.minibusoptions.co.uk*

"This includes various facts and figures and a selection of seat plans in support of my opening remarks. I would be pleased to discuss any aspect that may be of concern. If you want to send an e-mail to *steve@minibusoptions. co.uk* I will be pleased to respond. If any e-mail specifically permits I will publish it on the website."

New in triaxle sector is the Lo-Glider, with 5350 kg GVW

Relaxed atmosphere and a buoyant market at Dublin exhibition

Ireland's first PSV show a hit

By Martin Cole

THE FIRST dedicated coach and bus exhibition for Eire was held last weekend, 25-26 November, at the RDS Simmonscourt Pavilion in Dublin.

Organised by the Coach Tourism & Transport Council, the event attracted a large number of exhibitors and visitors - leading to a considerable amount of business being done over the weekend.

Currently, the Irish market is in good shape. Tourism is said to be up by 150%, hotels are bursting at the seams and operators are hard pressed to find sufficient transport of high quality to meet their transport requirements. Dealers and minibus converters maintained that they were flat-out producing vehicles and the bulk of these were to extremely high specification.

Customers were seeking air conditioning, leather seats, tables, LCD screens and DVD players.

Indcar's attractive Eco 3 midicoach is available on an MAN 11.220 chassis

There were some vehicles there that we do not have access to in the UK - notably the Indcar Mago on an MAN 8.160 and Indcar Eco-3 on an MAN 11.220 chassis. The Mago is sold in the UK as a Maxim and is only available on an Iveco chassis. One that almost found its way in was a Noge-bodied Mercedes-Benz Sprinter. This model was being considered for import by Alf Moseley Continental, but nothing has been heard of any developments in that area. One of the local dealers, Downeys Auto Shop - in conjunction with Midland Body Builders, displayed a new Ford Transit with 14 seats. It featured extensive soft trim and a step cutaway behind the sliding door to assist passenger entry.

The company supplies a range of minibus conversions but majors on 14- and 16-seat Transits - plus accessible vehicles for specialist markets. Also on show was a Mercedes-Benz Vito with nine seats. To cater for customers with larger minibus requirements, the company is an agent for Cymric Conversions and was exhibiting a 33-seat Panorama built on a Mercedes O814D Vario.

Turners Cross Motors of Cork showed examples of Euro Coach Builder's products, the Mercedes-Benz 1120L EX 33 and conventional Vario based 24-seat conversions. The company has a Mercedes-Benz dealership and acts as an agent for a few converters. It reported high interest from visitors and brisk business throughout the year.

Brian Noon's stand included a Noge Catalan bodied MAN 18.350 in Tony Doyle livery and the Noge-bodied Sprinter mentioned earlier. The latter featured 18 Fainsa Gaudi reclining seats, TV/video system, a coach rear-end with large boot and very large emergency exit door at the offside rear.

Indcar's Eco-3 was also featured on this stand and was equipped with air conditioning by Thermo King, 37 reclining seats plus a courier seat, and a TV/video system. An MAN 8.160 based Indcar Mago mini-coach was also on show, equipped with 29 seats plus a courier seat and supported by a similar vehicle with a lavish interior that featured leather seating, tables, lamps and fancy drapes.

High specification was the order of the day on KVC Manufacturing/Loughshore Autos' stand.

The company said all its staff had been tremendously busy over the weekend and confirmed the majority of customers were looking at up-market equipment.

In particular, visitors had been enthusiastic about an air-conditioned Sprinter 413 Cdi with 12 leather seats, large rear luggage hold, tables, LCD screens front and rear and a DVD player.

KVC said it could build vehicles to the same level of specification on all makes of base vehicle.

More from Dublin, p12.

Irish operators now demand high specification interiors

Popular: Euro Coach Builders' Vario-based Pantara

Attractive: the Noge-bodied Mercedes-Benz Sprinter 412D

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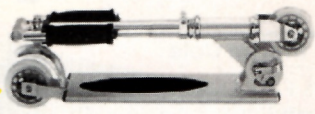

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Irish operators display continued interest in full-sized coaches and buses

...and on the larger side in Irish capital

Neoplan's Dennis Javelin-based 53-seat Transliner GX was well received

By Martin Cole

BUS EIREANN is a major customer for a number of manufacturers and it was hardly a surprise that Volvo Coach Sales should include at the Dublin show one of the 86 B7R Plaxton Prima 57-seat coaches with automatic gearboxes it is currently supplying.

Supporting this was the Volvo B12M Jonckheere Mistral 50 that was first seen at ExpoCoach in Dunn-Line colours.

It has a 2.55-metre wide body, modified front with smaller, more powerful, headlamps and is equipped with Thermo King air conditioning, centre-sunken toilet and 51 reclining seats. Sales director Brian Walker confirmed the show had been very busy on the first day and was promising to be almost as busy on Sunday.

Westward Scania had been pleased by the strength of the Irish market and found considerable interest in its Irizar Century-bodied Scania L94 and in the Van Hool Alizée-bodied version of the same chassis.

One of each was on show, with the Van Hool in Tuack Tours livery for Bernard Kavanagh. It had the option of being a 49 seater with centre sunken toilet, or switching the layout to 32 seats around tables.

A popular midicoach in Ireland - the EOS 80

Neoplan UK considered the visit to Dublin to be worthwhile and had generated a lot of interest in the 53-seat Dennis Javelin-based Transliner GX and 49-seat MAN 18.350 based Transliner SHD. Managing director Chris Lavin believed that positive sales would be achieved as a result of preliminary negotiations they had had concluded over the two days. He confirmed that next year's MAN Translinners would feature the 400bhp engine coupled with ZF's AS-Tronic gearbox.

The largest of the Full-sized coach and bus displays went to EvoBus, where it exhibited two Setra S315 GT HD coaches, a Mercedes -Benz O404 Hispano Vita and a 12m Citaro lowfloor bus that has been supplied to Bus Eireann. One of the Setras, a continental model with left-hand drive, carried a very high specification and had been provided to show what options were available over the 'standard' S315. The Hispano Vita appeared in Leger Tours livery and will be delivered to its new owner, Scottish operator Austin Travel, in the near future.

Plaxton's new Paragon Volvo B10M was also shown in Bus Eireann livery as a straight 53 seater that offered plenty of legroom for passengers on longer inter-urban journeys. The coach was accompanied by a 27-seat Cheetah-bodied Mercedes-Benz Vario. Sales director David Quainton said he was very impressed by the level of support the show had attracted and especially the level of interest in the Cheetah.

He particularly liked the informal atmosphere and confirmed that Plaxton would continue to support the event in the future - with a stronger presence.

Irish coachbuilder Euro Coach Builders had its own stand as well as a number of exhibits with supplying dealers. They included the Mercedes-Benz Vario-based Pantara, which was shown with 24 seats with two tables and lamps, plus a standard Vario conversion, the V29 with 29 seats and a 413 Cdi Sprinter with 18 seats.

Other large coaches were displayed by Berkhof UK, who took an Axial 50 bodied Volvo B10M with 51 seats, air conditioning and a centre sunken toilet; Coach Europe, who said there was strong interest in its Iveco EuroRider based Beulas Stergo 'e'; and Bartons of Maynooth that advertised the 53-seat DAF Bus SB3000WS based OVI at IR 150,000 - roughly £115,000 - alongside a Plaxton Excalibur bodied SB3000WS.

Leinster Vehicle Industries displayed the only Alexander-bodied bus in the show, an MAN based ALX300 with 42 seats and space for 28 standees. It was supported by an O814D Vario conversion with 24 seats and an air-conditioned Van Hool Alizée II Volvo B10M.

The show highlighted that there are some continental vehicles being imported directly to Ireland that do not come into the UK and also that there appears to be less restriction on minicoach weights as 18 seats on a well-specified Sprinter would not get past go over here. It was pleasing to see some UK operators making the trip across, especially Cyril Kenzie and Graham Cooper, who took the trouble to arrange a coach trip specially for the event.

No one had any real idea how many people had attended the show but the caterers said they had provided over 1,000 meals on the Saturday. Sunday started slowly but continued to pick up until well into the afternoon. One Irish operator told *CBW*: "I don't know what's wrong with everybody. I want to buy a coach and there is no-one to talk to - they are all busy. When I come over to a show in England I can walk on to a stand and have bought one within the hour."

Judging by the reaction of exhibitors, all thought it very worthwhile and it was suggested that it would be better to substitute an Irish Show in place of one of our established shows and run the event every two years. The same was true of those on support stands, who largely echoed the thoughts of vehicle suppliers. Peter Adams of Carrier Sutrak said it had very definitely been worth the trip and was delighted by the reaction the company had received to its range of air conditioning products.

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Spectacular rise of the biennial Spanish trade show continues with a further

Madrid's window on the world

By Mike Morgan

ONCE AGAIN the International Bus and Coach Fair in Madrid (Feria Internacional del Autobus y del Autocar or FIAA) records significant growth.

The fifth biennial show between 22 and 25 November at the Juan Carlos I Exhibition Centre attracted a 20% growth in exhibitor numbers and a 30% increase in exhibition area, occupying three halls at the show ground.

The exhibition covers the diverse range of chassis and coachbuilding companies offering products on the Spanish market, in addition to significant representation from companies offering products and services to the coach and bus industry.

FIAA 2000 not only provides a shop window for the multiplicity of Spanish coachbuilding firms, but attracts increased international representation, as well as considerable presence of minibus vehicles, in line with current market trends.

The show organisers are confident of a record number of visitors after undertaking an ambitious promotional campaign on a national and international scale. Their aim of establishing FIAA as a major international show is given a boost by being selected once again as host to the presentation of the Bus of the Year award, which this year went to the Mercedes-Benz Cito.

Juan Carlos I Exhibition Centre: host of the International Bus and Coach Fair in Madrid

Maximum international impact and enhanced numbers of visiting buyers from all over Europe includes the UK.

Companies flying the flag include Mayflower-owned coach and bus chassis manufacturer, Dennis, with its prime stand location in full view of the main entrance.

Dennis managing director, John Smith, told *CBW* that the position of Dennis at FIAA was the result of perseverance in the Iberian peninsula where those operators who have tried Dennis Darts have placed repeat orders.

This is the Guildford-based company's second show in Spain, it having moved from a chassis display on an out-of-the-way stand to the unveiling of two vehicles that demonstrate the sales success of 'Europe's best-selling midibus' - the Dennis Dart SLF.

The first is a 10-metre model on the all-new Pininfarina-styled Hispano 'Habit' body. The stylish bus on display is one of 11 that will go into operation soon with TUSSAM in Seville. It has the tried-and-tested Cummins B series engine/Allison AT545 driveline with axle-mounted Telma retarder.

Some 9,000 Darts have been built, including 11.4-metre Super Dart SLFs. However, the first left-hand-drive version of the long-Dart was unveiled in Madrid, being one of 50 bound for Arriva Netherlands, and the first all-UK bus for a left-hand-drive customer to be exhibited at a mainland European show for over a decade.

Arriva Netherlands Darts are built to European specification and feature front and centre doors, parcel racks and a flat, stepless floor in the forward part of the saloon.

The vehicles are bodied by Alexander, a Mayflower-owned sister company of Dennis, and have four-speed Voith D854.3 gearbox and a 180bhp version of the Cummins B series.

Evidence that Dennis's export sales success is not restricted to the Dart comes with an order for 15 open-top double-decker Tridents for a Spanish joint-venture sight-seeing operation. To be bodied by East Lancs, the open-toppers are due for delivery in time for the 2001 Summer season.

Further British representation came from Shades Technics, exhibiting in Spain for the first time, following supply of its coach toilet units to a growing number of Spanish coach builders and the establishment of a European manufacturing foothold south of Lyon within striking distance of the French/Spanish border.

Like all UK exporters to euroland, Shades Technics battles against the high-value of Sterling and has tried other ways of reducing the risk of currency fluctuations. However, the small rented workshop in France comes into its own with the successful design of a moulded seating unit for Heuliez. Nevertheless, director Henk Deuschle told *CBW* that the plan is to continue design and development in the UK, only using France to build items which had been fully productionised.

Shades Technics' display in Madrid demonstrated a prototype 'Dual Flush' coach toilet that combines the advantages of recirculating and fresh water systems. Controlled by microprocessor, Dual Flush first uses chemical recirculating followed by fresh water to cleanse the

Further British representation came from Shades Technics

Flying the flag: Dennis unveiled one of 50 Super Dart SLFs bound for Arriva Netherlands

20% increase in exhibitors

gets bigger

bowl. A typical fresh water system requires 45 litres for 110 flushes whereas the dual system's consumption is cut to 30 litres. And, says Mr Deuschle, there's an even bigger saving on the storage of soiled water.

Also new from Shades Technics is a coach table with changeable covers rather like those of a mobile phones, while the company's TCF-1 servery unit is designed to take up the space of one seat. This self-contained hot water unit and electric fridge was first installed in a Mercedes-Benz Vita for Voel of North Wales. Although less conspicuous, Shades Technics own design printed circuit board has been successfully incorporated into its product range for some 15 months. It puts all the electrics for all combinations of toilet, hand drier, fridges, water boilers on one unit.

Spain is, of course, home to the Iveco EuroRider chassis built in Barcelona and a new 391.12.38 SRI variation shown on the Irisbus stand has independent front suspension and disc brakes.

Centre stage was taken up by the eagerly-awaited new-generation Daily Bus S2000 range due in the UK from April 2001 but displayed in Madrid as factory-built 40C12 with 16 seats and 50C13 with 19 seats. Both vehicles demonstrated the potential for this very competitive range which has appeal to a wide market - though detail specification will differ on right-hand-drive vehicles.

Irisbus Iberica - the joint Iveco/Renault coach and bus manufacturer facing uncertainty in the wake of the EU instruction that Renault must sell its share - is the market leader in the Spanish market for coaches and buses over 3.5 tonnes GVW with market share increased from 28.9% in 1999 to 31.1% at the end of September 2000.

However, the total market is expected to fall from 3,800 units to 3,300 units. As at the end of September Evobus (Mercedes-Benz and Setra) is in second place with 25.1%, MAN is third place with 13.04%, Scania in fourth place with 10.7% and Volvo in fifth place with 9.93%.

Irisbus is also market leader in the minibus and truck-derived bus sector with 42%.

The Iveco Euromidi chassis shown on bodybuilder stands included a new Mago from Indcar. Known as Maxim in the UK, the Mago is an 8.45-metre midicoach capable of seating up to 30 passengers. Mago 2 is a total redesign featuring an inclined window-line and a wedge-shaped front profile that incorporates side window styling reminiscent of bulls' horns.

The most stunning new coach design, though, comes from Sunsundegui with a dramatic front end concept displayed on a turntable to gauge customer reaction. A characteristically very deep windscreen blends into a wind-cheating rounded profile, controversially reducing forward vision for front-seat passengers. Equally controversial - but possibly trend-setting - are stylish new mirrors. That on the driver's side is mounted low and very close to the body side, while the near-side mirror is equally close and swoops down in a semi-circular tear shape, being attached to the body top to bottom.

Spain has a deserved reputation for coach style and the steps taken over recent years have accounted for the growing acceptance of Spanish-built coach bodies in the UK. Among those that is now a household name is Irizar which caused a show sensation by having a large display area devoted solely to hospitality - that is, there were no vehicles.

Another sensation is the Transcoin Turia, a major concept from design house, Grupo Tecnologico Industrial (GTI), which could revolutionise accessible transport in Spain's mini/midi bus sector.

Powered by front-mounted five-cylinder Detroit Diesel R531 Euro 3 engine coupled to Allison 2000 series automatic gearbox driving the front wheels, the Turia is a 6.862-metre long 16-seat lowfloor bus. It has aluminium chassis and thermo-plastic body shell. GTI plans to outsource production and sell the vehicle in Spain for 9,500,000 pesetas (£37,000). A spokesman on the GTI stand confirmed that the vehicle design could be sold to other manufacturers and built for other markets.

This first Turia is one of a family of buses between nine and 30 seats. It has its wheels at each corner of the vehicle and independent suspension with a ride height of 350mm. Suspension lowers by 200 mm and rises by 100 mm.

Pre-series testing is under way, with full-scale production starting within 12 months.

A Spanish sensation is the Transcoin Turia a major concept from design house GTi

Mago 2 is a total redesign featuring inclined window-line

New Daily Bus S2000 range due in UK from April 2001

Most stunning new coach design comes from Sunsundegui with a dramatic front end

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Bid means site unlikely to continue as leisure attraction

End of the Millennium Dome as we know it?

By Mark Barton

THE DOME looks unlikely to continue as a visitor attraction beyond the end of this year, following the naming by the Government of the Legacy group as preferred bidder.

The £125 million Legacy bid proposes to keep the Dome structure and convert it into a high-technology business park to be known as Knowledge City.

Headed up by property developer, Robert Bourne, Legacy originally came second to Japanese bank Nomura in the competition to buy the Dome site.

Nomura had made its £105 million bid as Dome Europe with Hyper Entertainment of the USA. The consortium had planned to underwrite investment of £400 million to continue to operate the Dome as a visitor attraction. Hyper Entertainment owns and operates theme parks in San Francisco, Berlin and Hong Kong.

Only one other bidder was proposing to keep the Dome structure intact: Pilton Land planned to turn it into a 70,000 seater rock venue called the Enormodome. Had Legacy followed the example of Nomura and withdrawn its bid, it is more likely that the Dome would have been demolished and the 700-acre site sold off to developers.

As well as Pilton, Legacy has beaten off four other known proposals to get into pole position to take over the Dome after its year-long public opening ends on 1 January 2001:

Millennium Dome: Legacy group aims to convert structure into a business park

- The BBC: a theme park based on TV characters
- Greenwich Media World: a media city with film studios and sports park
- International Merchandise and Cultural Centre: a global one stop shop for exchanging goods, services and tourism promotions
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Only Pontins remnants left for Scottish & Newcastle to sell

FOLLOWING the sale of Center Parcs for £670m cash, Scottish & Newcastle now has just to sell the remnants of its Pontins holiday park business to exit the leisure market completely.

The brewing and retail giant put Pontins and its fellow subsidiary Center Parcs up for sale earlier this year in a corporate refocusing exercise, which involved heavy job losses at its Chorley head office.

Following a restructuring last year, Pontins cut 65 out of 100 head office jobs in May to make the group easier to sell. The bulk of the Pontins operation was sold recently to leisure tycoon Trevor Hemmings.

It is understood Scottish & Newcastle has still to dispose of two Pontins' businesses. Chief executive Brian Stewart said the value of these businesses was negligible compared with Center Parcs.

Royal resting place: the Mausoleum at Frogmore House in Windsor

Mausoleum to be open to public twice in 2001

TO MARK the centenary of Queen Victoria's interment, the Mausoleum at Frogmore House in Windsor will be opened to the public on two separate occasions next year.

Queen Victoria died on 22 January 1901 and was laid to rest beside her beloved husband, Prince Albert, in the Mausoleum, which is set in the Home Park of Windsor Castle.

Described as one of the most remarkable buildings of the Victorian age, it has a richly decorated interior, dominated by a vast monument to the royal couple.

The walls are inlaid with multi-coloured marbles from around the world and the dome is adorned with paintings of saints and angels bearing wreaths of everlasting flowers.

The Mausoleum will be open on 4 February 2001, the centenary of Queen Victoria's interment, and again on the Wednesday nearest her birthday in May. Entry is free and opening hours are 1100 hrs to 1600 hrs, with last entry at 1530 hrs.

Frogmore House is open for guided group tours in August and September.

Guided tours for groups of 15 or more cost £6.80 per person. Windsor Castle is open every day during the peak season. Group tickets cost £10 adult and £8.50 over 60.

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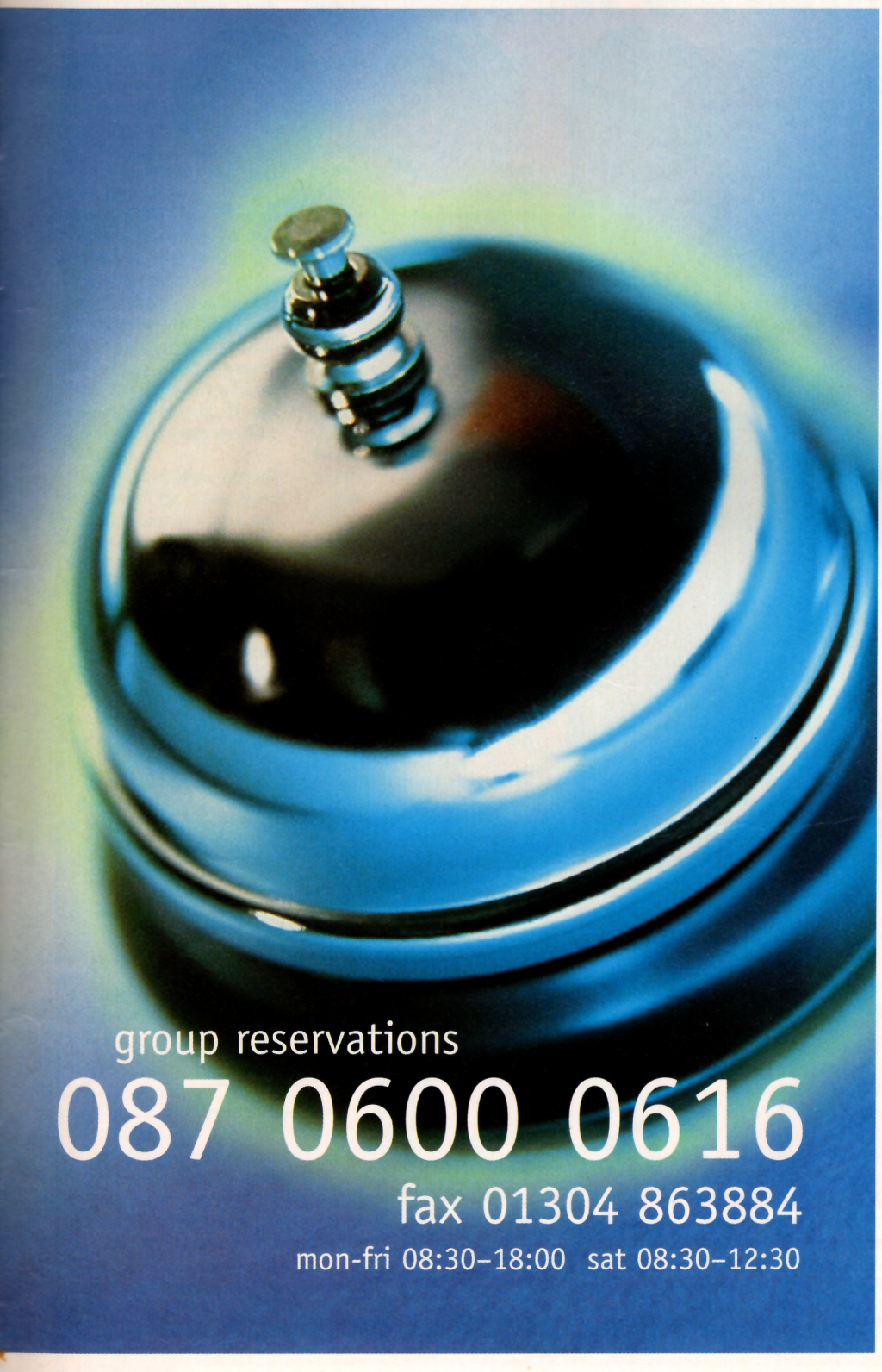

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£1.7m restoration for Redhouse glassworks cone

New lease of life for a piece of Black Country

By Mark Barton

AN historic piece of Black Country industrial heritage is to be given a new lease of life as a visitor experience.

Redhouse Cone, the finest example of the last four remaining glassworks cones in the UK, is undergoing a £1.7 million restoration, with funding from English Heritage, the Heritage Lottery Fund, the European Regional Development Fund, Dudley Metropolitan Borough Council, Stuart Crystal and Advantage West Midlands.

The Metropolitan council has leased the cone from owners, Stuart Crystal and will be the operator of the new attraction when it opens in Summer 2001.

The 100 foot high Grade II* Listed building was built by Richard Bradley between 1788 and 1794 in Wordsley, near Stourbridge. It forms part of the Redhouse Glassworks site, the most complete surviving complex of its kind in the world.

Redhouse Cone will enable visitors to step back in time and discover how Stuart Crystal first manufactured window glass before producing decorative tableware including the White Star Line crystal used on the ill fated maiden voyage of the SS Titanic.

It will be an interactive visitor experience with studio space for glass designers, who will work at the Cone for the first time since production stopped in 1936. Plans also include redevelopment of other buildings in the complex to create craft workshops for small businesses.

Sian fisher, Black Country Tourism co-ordinator, said: "This is a very exciting project. Redhouse Cone is a unique site, which we are bringing to life for visitors world-wide. They will be able to experience glass-making over the past 200 years, as well as get an insight into the lives of the people who worked in this important industry."

■ More details on 01902 322582/4.

Redhouse Cone: open to groups Summer 2001

Ambitious plans for aquarium

THE NEW owners of Newquay Sea Life Aquarium are to spend more than £400,000 transforming it into a major new visitor attraction for the South West.

Blue Reef Leisure has announced ambitious plans for the former Cornish Sea Life Aquarium, which include transforming its main ocean display into an underwater tropical paradise. Managing director, Ian Cunningham said the new Blue Reef Aquarium would be designed with visitors of all ages in mind: "The aquarium will be extremely popular with children, but it will also have plenty to offer the older visitor too - we want everyone, whatever their age, to be entertained and informed by their visit."

The centre piece of the re-development will be a coral reef display with its own underwater walk-through tunnel.

The 250,000-litre display will be home to tropical species including black and white tip reef sharks, stingrays, moray eels, pufferfish and giant groupers.

Visitors will be able to enjoy view the fish from inside the tunnel, through a series of underwater viewing windows and even from the surface, which will be themed as a Caribbean Island.

Mr Cunningham left Sea Life in 1995 to set up Real Live Leisure, which subsequently developed the Aquarium of the Lakes, Cumbria and the Oceanarium in Bournemouth.

Following the sale of Real Live Leisure in 1999, he became operations director at the Eden Project. He left Eden after overseeing the first phase of the project to concentrate fully on the re-development of the Newquay attraction.

Blue Reef Aquarium will re-open to the public in Spring 2001.

■ More details on 01638 878134.

Army museum coach parking

FOLLOWING input from the Confederation of Passenger Transport, coach parking is now available at the Museum of Army Transport in Flemingate, Beverley. A charge of £5 per day is payable but, if over 10 passengers visit the museum, the parking fee is refunded. Drivers should park at the rear of the park. Beverley Minster is a five minute walk and the town centre 10 minutes walk from the coach park.

Shearings drivers launch Cumbria awards

THE drivers of Shearings coaches launched the inaugural Shearings Holidays Cumbria Awards Ceremony at the Windermere Hotel on 21 November.

The awards are in recognition of the excellent service provided to Shearings' customers by venues and individuals in the region, and were instigated by the drivers as a 'thank you' for their contribution to a highly successful partnership.

Judith Langfield of Chandlers, at the Colony Candle Corporation in Ulverston, won the 'Personality of the Year' award, while the Lakeland Sheep and Wool Centre in Cockermouth took the 'Venue of the Year' award.

Judith Langfield: 'personality'

Shearings chief driver Don MacDonald said: "We are delighted to be able to reward the people and venues of Cumbria with these awards. Everyone we visit in Cumbria goes out of their way to make our customers welcome, but we feel that Judith and the Lakeland Sheep and Wool Centre have made an exceptional contribution over the last 12 months. We carry around 7,000 Cumbrian residents on holiday every year and bring some 15,000 visitors to the region for short breaks and holidays, so we believe we are uniquely positioned to establish a Cumbrian awards ceremony."

Cumbria Tourist Board's chief executive Chris Collier said: "We have just been declared the world's first Green Globe tourist destination because of our reputation for the best of sustainable tourism. Our drive to make the region's tourism industry even more sustainable includes encouraging coach and bus travel."

Service Counts!

Four-day flower show, drivers' rest room, and exhibition

Moves at Blenheim are aimed at coach groups

Yorks hotel offer

AN hotel just off the A1 in Yorkshire is offering half-board coaching tariffs of £29.50 next year to tempt operators away from 'honeypot' venues York and Harrogate. The three-star Bridge Inn Hotel, near Wetherby, is promoting group availability at Easter, throughout July/August, during Winter weekends, and on Sundays, year-round. Taste of Yorkshire, Go Racing, and Dales Explorer breaks are among theme options. Also available are free educationals.

■ Details on 01937 580115.

By Mark Barton

BLENHEIM Palace has announced a number of developments for coach operators and group organisers next season, including a new four-day flower show and coach drivers' facilities.

The exhibition on Sir Winston Churchill's life is being completely revitalised over the Winter and will re-open on 12 March 2001. Photographs of Sir Winston at Blenheim Palace together with letters written by him will be on display together with many artefacts and personal belongings.

A new coach driver's and courier's rest room will be opening to provide a comfortable seating area with television and complimentary refreshments.

Blenheim Palace: group rates have been held for 2001

The first Blenheim Palace Flower Show will take place on 21, 22, 23 and 24 June.

This promises to be a quality event allowing operators to cash in on the current gardening boom, with show gardens, floristry marquees and more. The line from the organisers could also be used in coach day excursion leaflets and advertisements: "Enjoy all the style and quality of Chelsea or Hampton Court without the crowds."

Blenheim Palace group admission rates have been held for 2001 and it will be open for the 2001 season from 12 March to 31 October inclusive. Blenheim Palace is the birthplace of Winston Churchill and the home of the 11th Duke of Marlborough.

■ **More details from Nicholas Day on 01993 811091.**

Stena Line national sales manager Heli Salmons

Stena sales chief quits

HELI SALMONS, head of GB sales at Stena Line, is to leave the ferry operator after almost 10 years to join specialist cable provider Telewest Travel. Ms Salmons, well known to the UK coach market, will leave at the end of January 2001. She will take on the role of sales manager at Telewest, with responsibility for developing relationships with the travel trade. She will head up five sales staff. A replacement for her position at Stena Line is currently being sought.

Taster Tours repeat at tourism fair

BOLTON Tourism is to repeat what it calls the "outstanding success" of its Taster Tours at the 2001 Great Days Out Fair.

The tours offers visitors to the fair, which is run by the North West Tourist Board, a flavour of the area in a short, specially designed introductory excursion. They are intended to give operators and group organisers an opportunity to see for themselves the potential for day trips in and around the area. Three tours are being offered to pre-registered visitors to the show.

The tours are being operated by Bolton Metro's Tourism and Promotions Unit using Bolton School Services coaches and local Blue Badge Guides. Councillor Byrne, Bolton Metro's cabinet member for culture, said: "Last year almost 300 visitors to the show took the opportunity to find out more about Bolton and we are delighted to be offering the Taster Tours again in 2001."

Tours will last approximately one hour and will leave from and return to the Reebok Stadium, where the fair is being held, at set times throughout the day.

Pre-registered visitors can apply for places on the tour by completing the relevant section of the booking form, preference will be given to those who did not take the tour in 2000.

Confirmation will be sent prior to the show. Registration forms are available from the North West Tourist Board.

Great Days Out Fair 2001 will be held on 3 March next year.

■ **More details from Liz Ritchie on 01683 220214.**

Museum joins Manchester initiative

THE £28.5m Imperial War Museum North is the latest destination to join the Attraction Packed Manchester group initiative.

Although not open until 2002, the museum has committed to joining The Trafford Centre shopping mall, The Lowry, Manchester United and the club's official hotel, The Quality Hotel Manchester, to draw group visitors into the region on weekend breaks.

Since the launch of Attraction Packed Manchester in January this year it has generated over 750,000 national and international inquiries - many via the attractions' websites - resulting in the Quality Hotel taking up to five bookings a day.

Business director of the giant £880m Trafford Centre, James Lindsay, said the Imperial War Museum North would "add a valuable dimension to the current package and will give visitors to the region even more choice. The package is so successful because it incorporates elements to suit all tastes; shopping, football and the arts."

Attraction Packed Manchester offers groups special rates to visit The Lowry -Manchester's waterfront home for the arts, entertainment and innovation as well as Manchester United's museum and famous red cafe. As part of the package The Trafford Centre can be visited.

■ **Details from Jo Frost on 0161 749 1627.**

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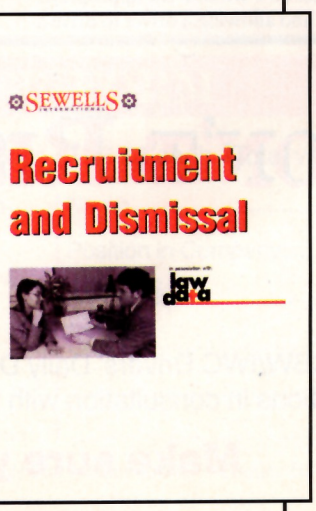

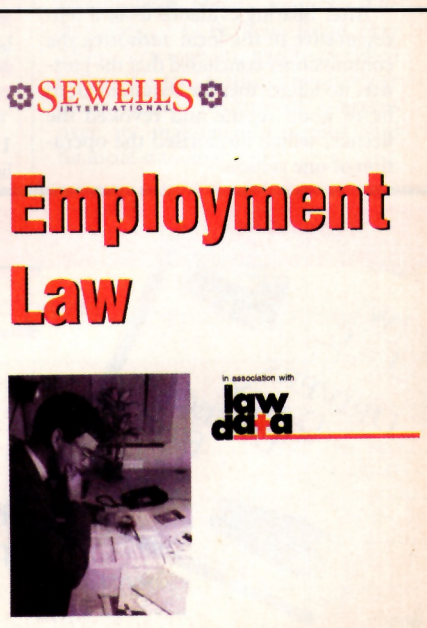

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Minicoach man loses O-licence and banned

MAINTENANCE

ALAN WALKER'S O-licence has been revoked by Scottish traffic commissioner Michael Betts. The commissioner has also banned Mr Walker from holding or obtaining an O-licence indefinitely.

Mr Walker, who traded as Walkers Mini Coaches, of 20 Auckland Place, Dalmuir, Clydebank, had been called before an Edinburgh disciplinary inquiry. He held a three-vehicle O-licence.

Evidence was given by the Vehicle Inspectorate detailing prohibition notices imposed on Mr Walker's vehicles because of their mechanical condition. Revoking the licence with immediate effect, the commissioner concluded that Mr Walker no longer met the requirements to be of good repute, of appropriate financial standing and in relation to professional competence.

False statement

LICENSING

THE making of a false statement to obtain a private hire licence from the local authority has led to the revocation of Colne Valley Travel's O-licence.

Siobhan Jones and Nicholas Turp, trading as Colne Valley Travel, of 46 Hillie Bunnies, Earls Colne, Colchester, Essex, had been called before Eastern traffic commissioner Geoffrey Simms at a Cambridge disciplinary inquiry.

After hearing evidence from a representative of the local authority, the commissioner concluded that the partners no longer met the requirement to be of good repute and revoked the licence, which authorised the operation of one vehicle.

Five-vehicle cut after vehicle

Examiners saw coach arrive at a school

MAINTENANCE

AN OPERATOR, one of whose vehicles was given an immediate prohibition after it was used by an unlicensed operator to carry school children, has had its licence cut from seven to two vehicles.

Nigel and Vaughan Adams, trading as Adams Travel, of 7 Llys Alyn, Connahs Quay, Flintshire, North Wales, had been called before Welsh traffic commissioner David Dixon because of concern over their maintenance standards and a number of convictions. Vehicle examiner David Rowland said that, since the beginning of the year, two immediate prohibitions had been imposed on the firm's vehicles, one of which was endorsed as showing a significant maintenance failure.

A vehicle presented for the latest prohibition to be cleared in March was unroadworthy. A further 10 defects were found and the interior of the vehicle was very dirty.

"To present a vehicle in this condition for prohibition clearance is beyond comprehension," said Mr Rowland.

A vehicle he inspected in April was in an unsatisfactory condition, as it had to be issued with a defect notice for three items, said Mr Rowland. Because of the prohibitions, he considered that the driver's daily walkround checks were not being carried out to an acceptable level. The partners claimed to have a driver defect reporting system in place but there was nothing on paper to substantiate that.

Traffic examiner Geoffrey Whitley said that, in February, he was investigating the activities of an unlicensed operator, Peter Green, who held a contract carrying children to a school in Chester. He and a colleague saw a coach arrive at a school being driven by Mr Green displaying an O-licence disc in the name of Adams Travel.

Mr Green told him he had passed the contract on to Adams who were employing him to do the work. On examination, the vehicle was given an immediate prohibition. The passenger door could not be retained in the closed position and there was a severe oil leak.

They subsequently visited the firm's premises, said Mr Whitley. They found a 19-seater coach parked in the

David Dixon: cut authorisation

Defective minibus and unlicensed driver costs

MAINTENANCE

CHARLES Taylor was ordered to pay fines and costs totalling £1,150 after admitting before the Chester Magistrates a series of offences involving the operation of minibuses on a school contract .

Mr Taylor, trading as H Taylor & Sons, of Smithy Garage, Station Road, Mouldsworth, Cheshire, pleaded guilty to using a vehicle

- With defective steering gear
- With a defective tyre
- Without a valid test certificate
- Without the authority of an O-licence
- With a defective silencer
- Without insurance

He also pleaded guilty to driving a 19-seater PSV without the appropriate licence and allowing a driver to drive a 15-seater minibus when not qualified to do so.

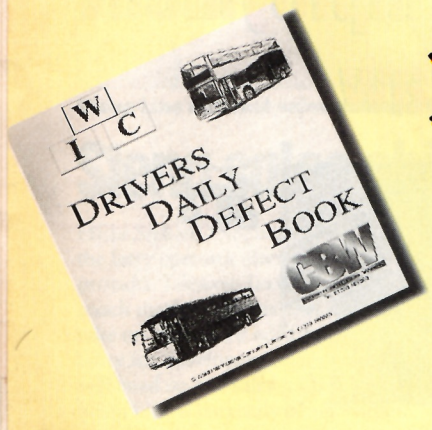
Prosecuting for the Vehicle Inspectorate, Albert Oldfield said Mr Taylor's licence was restricted to two 15 seater vehicles when, in fact, he was operating three vehicles, a 16 seater, a 19 seater and a 21 seater.

One vehicle which had been carrying school children had no MoT test certificate and on occasions vehicles had been driven by Mr Taylor and another driver, neither of whom had PSV driving licences. The minibuses had been used to carry pupils to Abbey Gate College.

An investigation into Mr Taylor's operations by the Vehicle Inspectorate began in February. He was authorised to operate two 15-seater minibuses yet one vehicle followed by a traffic examiner was found to have 19 seats. A month later a minibus transporting students from Abbey Gate was found during a school bus check to be being driven by Alan Inston, a retired lorry driver who did not possess a PSV driving entitlement, said Mr Oldfield.

Vehicle examiners found excessive movement in the steering of one of the vehicles and the tread on one tyre was below the legal limit. On another minibus the exhaust silencer box and tail pipe assemblies were detached from the front pipe, with the likelihood that exhaust gases could enter the vehicle affecting the passengers and the driver. When Mr Taylor was interviewed by traffic examiner Geoffrey Whitley, he had initially indicated he was using two vehicles but when pressed he had admitted using a third.

The defects found formed a potential danger to other road users and the safety of the passengers, said Mr Oldfield. He pointed out that Mr Taylor's



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road displaying a valid O-licence identity disc and an expired excise licence. The partners subsequently admitted the vehicle was not taxed, tested or insured.

In July the partners were ordered to pay fines, costs and back duty totalling £667 after admitting using the vehicle without a current vehicle excise licence, without a current test certificate and without insurance. (*CBW*, 3 August). Nigel Adams said the vehicle concerned was not movable. It had been stood in the yard since 1998 and there was no intention of using it again. It was moved out of the yard on to enable a mobile home to be moved to adjacent premises and was left in the road for about a week and a half. It had since been scrapped.

Mr Whitley said that an examination of a second vehicle led to it being given an immediate prohibition for a passenger door failing to operate correctly and a defective exhaust system.

The business had been started by his father in 1971, said Mr Adams. His father died in 1996 and they decided to reduce the size of the business. The 35-seater coach used by Mr Green had been one they intended to sell. Mr Green had asked could he borrow it and they had agreed to lend it to him, being unaware that Mr Green's O-licence had been revoked. They now just had two vehicles, a 16 seater and a 21 seater, and he and his brother each controlled one vehicle.

Agreeing that the vehicle driven by Mr Green had been displaying one of their licence discs, Mr Adams said that Mr Green, who traded as AIA Travel, had said that he was passing the work over to them but, as there was only he and his brother able to drive, he had told Mr Green he would have to drive it himself.

There had been nothing wrong with the passenger door when they'd had it. Mr Green had had the vehicle for a couple of weeks before it was checked. He had trusted him to keep it in good condition. He agreed he took no steps to check that Mr Green was doing so.

For the firm, Byron Cross said there had been a change in circumstances since the matters arose. It would be catastrophic if the licence was lost even for a very short time.

Cutting the licence, the commissioner said that leaving the uninsured, untested and unlicensed vehicle in a cul de sac for 10 days had been a pretty stupid thing to do. The prohibition on the vehicle used by Mr Green was a fairly bad one.

The partners had abdicated all responsibility for the maintenance of the vehicle while it was being used by Mr Green. That was very foolish, particularly as it was being used on school runs. However, he took account of the decision to scale down the business to a size where such problems should not arise again. The partners now had to really show they could run the business properly with two vehicles.

op £1,150

O-licence had been revoked earlier this year by North Western traffic commissioner Beverley Bell (*CBW*, 13 July). For Mr Taylor, Andrew Woolfall said he had insurance covering him to use 16-seater minibuses but not a 19 seater. Mr Taylor had driven the 19 seater when not qualified to do so when a driver had failed to turn up and he had felt obliged to take the vehicle out. On the occasion Mr Inston had been driving it had been a result of a misunderstanding of the regulations.

Mr Taylor was fined a total of £1,150 and his driving licence was endorsed with eight penalty points. He was also ordered to pay £120 prosecution costs.

Mr Inston pleaded guilty to driving a 15-seater minibus when not qualified to do so. He was fined £100, with £50 costs, and his licence was endorsed with six penalty points.

DB Travel ordered to repay 20% of Fuel Duty Rebate

MAINTENANCE

DAVID BISHOP has been ordered to repay 20% of the Fuel Duty Rebate grant he has received over the past three months following a Glasgow disciplinary inquiry.

Mr Bishop, who trades as DB Travel, of 14 Lennox Road, Milton, Dumbarton, had been called before Scottish traffic commissioner Michael Betts because of concern over his maintenance standards and failures to operate his one local service in accordance with the registered particulars.

Though deciding not to take any action against the licence on maintenance grounds, the commissioner issued a formal warning about future maintenance standards and refused an application by Mr Bishop to increase the authorisation on his licence by three vehicles.

He said he would be prepared to consider a further application for an increase next July if he received a satisfactory report from the Vehicle Inspectorate.

Also formally warning Mr Bishop about the operation of his local service, the commissioner said he would be prepared to accept an early application to vary the registered service to make the timetable workable.

Revocation won't take effect till 31 January

MAINTENANCE

THOUGH revoking Millmans Coaches's O-licence over maintenance, Western traffic commissioner Philip Brown has directed that his decision not take effect until 31 January. The company, of 6-7 Dansheath Business Park, Heathfield, Newton Abbott, Devon, had been called to an Exeter disciplinary inquiry.

No action against Miles Coaches O-licence

MAINTENANCE

WESTERN traffic commissioner Philip Brown has decided not to take any action against the licence held by Miles Coaches (Swindon) Ltd after hearing financial evidence in private at a Bristol disciplinary inquiry.

The company, of Stratton Road, Stratton St Margaret, Swindon, Wiltshire, had its licence suspended for two days earlier in the year following an unsatisfactory maintenance report from the Vehicle Inspectorate and the issue of a number of prohibition notices to its vehicles. (*CBW*, 23 March).

Travel 24 fails to attend inquiry in Exeter

MAINTENANCE

THE licence held by Travel 24 Ltd in the Western Traffic Area was revoked after the company failed to attend an Exeter disciplinary inquiry. The company, of 12 Berkeley Road, Hay Mills, Birmingham, had been called before Western traffic commissioner Philip Brown because of concerns over its maintenance record and financial standing.

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Subject all commercial drivers to hours rules

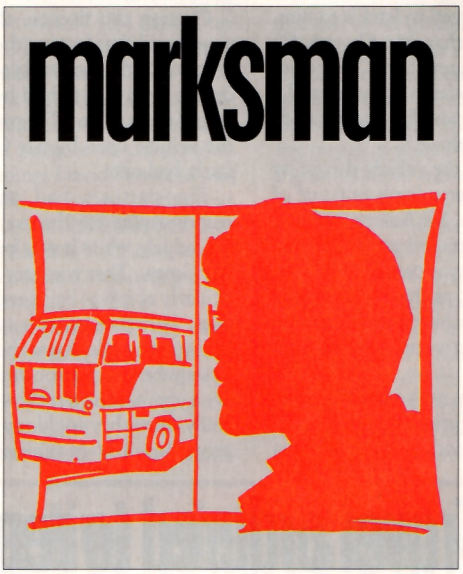
IT is, I think, most regrettable that, for the purposes of the extension of the Working Time Directive to the transport sector, the definition of 'mobile worker' is limited to: "Any worker employed as a member of travelling or flying personnel by an undertaking which operates transport services for passengers or goods by road, air or inland waterway."

Would it have not been far better, far more equitable, and far more conducive to highway safety if it embraced any person who drives any vehicle in the course of employment? In effect, what I am recommending is an extension of driving hours limits to the drivers of taxis, hire cars, company cars and vans.

The desirability of such a measure was brought home to me on hearing of a person who lived in the Eastern Counties and whose job involved maintenance of medical equipment (a task which itself would seem to demand alertness). On one day he had first to deal with some equipment in Stirling and was then directed to do likewise in Cardiff before returning home!

There is no way that a round trip of this nature could be done legally had he been driving a vehicle to which drivers' hours rules apply.

Does it make it any safer for the driver concerned, or for innocent road users, that the journey was done in a car or van? Of course it does not,



and it is high time this particular stable door was shut.

For the fact is that, in post-Thatcher Britain (and I suspect most of Europe) all employees are pushed to be more productive. Company representatives and delivery drivers are under exactly the same pressures as PSV and HGV drivers - to meet crucial time deadlines whether they be appointments, parcel deliveries or to make service calls.

We now live in a 'just in time' culture, with financial penalties for non-performance. The escalation in traditional mail order and electronic shopping has greatly increased the number of white vans rushing about on guaranteed next day deliveries. Cars have become mobile offices, with the distractions of not just mobile phones but e-mail and fax as often as not - and with it the ability for employers to press employees to go that extra mile, both figuratively and literally. But, above all else, in today's business world there is the pressure of competitive immediacy to get in and do the deal, or service the clients' need, before someone else steals the customer.

There are, therefore, compelling reasons to put all who drive in the course of employment on an equal footing. Indeed, there is no logical reason not to do so. At this moment, I would not particularly want to see tachographs in company cars, but had hoped that the extension of the working time directive might have imposed limits on driving done in the course of business.

The only hope now is that the revision of driving hours rules to harmonise them with the working time directive might include widening scope to include all vehicles driven in the course of business.

Rising costs cannot justify maintenance cuts

THERE have been two letters published in *CBW* recently that merit a few words. One was about me 'naming and shaming' the driver involved in the ECJ decision on postponed weekly rest. I had certainly not intended to hold this driver up as an object of abuse or ridicule. I simply explained the circumstances of the case in a narrative way to do no more than demonstrate how actions by a pretty ordinary individual - whether through stupidity, ignorance or wrong advice - can rebound on everyone. In other words to put us all on notice to train, learn and take care that we do not do likewise.

In any event, the name of the person involved - as in all case law - forms part of the name by which the case is referenced. This is available on the internet for all the world to see (indeed, that is where I got it from) and ever since the first edition of this magazine there has been no attempt to mask the identities of the companies or individuals that feature on the Licensing and Legal pages every week. I do not, therefore, think I have stepped out of line.

I am, however, much more perturbed by the letter from an operator who thinks the traffic commissioner should hold the Government to blame when, as would seem inevitable, the operator is called to public inquiry as a result of knowingly lowering maintenance standards to offset increases in the price of fuel.

That the rate of duty on fuel is monstrously high and out of step with the rest of Europe is not in doubt. I would like to see it reduced and am at least partially relieved at the Chancellor's promise to peg it and give us a period of stability.

But it is fatuous nonsense to claim that increases in fuel cost - or anything else for that matter - can justify a decision to reduce maintenance standards. It is also pointless of the operator concerned to not reveal his identity for fear of enforcement action for, with the certainty of sunrise, adherence to this policy will ultimately result in loss of licence.

I know I have said it many times before, but the elementary facts of business life clearly need repeating if only for this letter-writer: the only purpose of being in business is to make profits and if costs increase, so must prices. If you cannot get the increased price - stop doing the work. In the unlikely event of this putting you out of business, at least you go with both capital and repute intact. The end product of cutting corners, reducing profits, attracting prohibitions and attending public inquiries is enforced early retirement in the most unfavourable circumstances.

But, to be more positive about it, my experience both back in the 1970s when fuel prices rocketed - and again now - is that all the publicity has made hirers quite docile about increases in hire prices. Indeed, the experience of myself and others is that hirers will frequently say: "Is that all?" when prices are increased on account of fuel costs. They have become conditioned to expect a bigger uplift.

I do accept that this may not, however, apply to local authorities but pose the question to smaller operators: when did you last sit round a table with local authority representatives to actually discuss transport issues? They can hardly be blamed for not seeing it from your angle if you never tell them what that angle is.

In this context, it is highly noteworthy that, in the recent restructuring of Stagecoach, the commercial directors will generate business, the operations directors will make it happen and the role of managing directors will be to communicate effectively with local authorities.

Operators of all sizes could usefully ask themselves who does these tasks in their own organisation. In many cases it will be found that operations takes precedence - often to the total exclusion of the other important roles.

And this formulates another fundamental rule: operations can only be king of the castle while there is a castle there. If someone is not actually growing the business and talking with major customers - like local authorities - the tides of time will wash away the very foundations of the castle, leaving operations floundering in the quicksands of oblivion.

DIARY

COACH AND BUS WEEK ENDING...

10 YEARS AGO

- **BIRMINGHAM-BASED tour firm Castle Holidays shuts up shop leaving more coach travellers without their holidays, and with cash being refunded by ABTA. Castle blames poor trading and the insistence by ABTA of more security for its bond.**
- **CROSVILLE Wales boss John Rimmington accuses the T&G of misleading its members and says he's taking legal action against the union. After four weeks of a strike which Mr Rimmington claims is unofficial, the md says he is on target for getting 28 buses back on the road from a fleet of 56 previously operated and is going ahead with site closures.**
- **COACH mileage on contract work, tours and express services increased by 3% in 1989/90, according to a just published Government transport statistics report. Coach mileage has increased every year since 1980.**

15 YEARS AGO

- **VOLVO'S C10M integral coach wins the prestigeous Coach of the Year award, announced at the Eighth European Coach and Bus Exhibition at Kortrijk in Belgium. Twelve specialised technical journalists from nine European countries give the C10M the highest score in the voting.**
- **DEVON Conversions is in receivership. The Exeter-based company had a substantial range of PSV and welfare products and also produced motorhome conversions. The firm has already ceased trading, but it is understood that a management buy-out is being considered.**
- **IN a surprise move, Premier Travel Services of Cambridge takes over the operations of Young's Coaches of Rampton, although it will not be changing the name of Young's fleet of 36 vehicles. Premier is taking on the entire Young's staff of 19 drivers and 12 other employees. Founder Ted and son Brian are to stay on as consultants.**

Message from the commissioner

NORTH Western traffic commissioner Beverley Bell has unveiled a new series of three eye-catching coach, bus and truck road safety posters at a risk reduction workshop held at Volvo's Warwick HQ.

Created for the seventh consecutive year by Crowe Insurance Group and the Road Operator's Safety Council (ROSCO), the A3-sized posters aim to promote risk awarness and enhance professional driving standards. This year's design uses thought-provoking images of children's toys to warn of the risks associated with not driving correctly. In particular the campaign focuses on the dangers of drink and drugs driving, speeding, and road rage.

Beverley Bell said at the launch: "Road safety, whether it be for coach, bus, truck, or private car drivers should be promoted at all times. With the number of accidents on our roads growing year on year, each of us has a personal responsibility to back proactive initiatives such as these posters that aim to reduce accidents through education."

Joe Freebody, Crowe Insurance Group's Head of Risk Management, added: "These posters will be very effective in leading the fitht against all forms of motoring risk. We all need to promote their use with our drivers to encourage improvements in driving behaviour."

Beverley Bell launches the seventh annual ROSCO/Crowe road safety posters

Obscure reasons for taking the bus

PROMOTING the use of public transport and, in particular, buses comes in many forms, whether it is positive or negative in style.

Hertfordshire-based radio and television presenter, Janey Lee Grace, says she prefers to use the bus in London - of the double-deck variety that is. She says she likes to sit upstairs where she can look down and snoop on passers-by in anonymity.

In contrast, a rear window sticker in a Vauxhall Nova spotted recently declared to all and sundry: "Drivers like you should...GO BY BUS". With an attitude like that, perhaps the driver of the decidedly-aged saloon should have heeded the message himself and traded it in for a FirstGroup season ticket.

Ticket sales team voted tops by NatEx

BIRKENHEAD bus station's ticket sales team have been named the North West's "kings of customer care" by National Express.

It is the second time the Merseytravel team has won the prestigious National Express North West Agent of the Year Award- and it was presented to team members and Wirral Merseytravel councillor and deputy mayor John Cocker at Birkenhead Bus station.

National Express has recognised the premier league quality of customer service offered by the highly trained Merseytravel ticket and information squad.

Assessors from National Express toured the country undercover to judge ticket outlets across Britain.

National Express manager John Lord said his experts had been impressed by the Birkenhead bunch.

"They yet again showed themselves to be top of the class in courtesy, efficiency and service. It's a pleasure to do business with them," he said.

Top team: Merseytravel marketing manager Lindsey Harrison and sales staff Clare Lyon, Suzy Watts, Deb McEvoy and Andy Thompson, with NatEx manager John Lord (left), and Merseytravel Councillor and Wirral deputy mayor John Cocker (right)

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It's experience that makes good drivers

I FEEL compelled to comment on Nick Warner's letter referring to driving staff and its evident shortage. Having worked my way up from a humble bus driver through some international coach driving and finally making my way to transport management, I feel that the necessary experience required to drive a coach or a bus cannot be gained in less than 'three months' of training.

We all agree there is a shortage of driving staff within the industry but lets not be so quick and fall into the trap of training just anybody as quickly as possible to keep the wheels moving. This surely is a step backwards, as we all know that 'good' drivers don't come out of the training school as soon as their licence has been 'stamped'.

This only comes with experience and only then can we hope that the industry will keep them on for a while, as more often than not they tend to stay for a short period and then find something a little more rewarding.

While we are taking a look at experience let's not forget that coach drivers and bus drivers are different in every way. The only thing they have in common is the licence they hold. Coach drivers are ambassadors to the coach industry and they are the product, along with the coach, the paying passenger sees on the day. We expect them to pamper and please the 'clients' at all times yet the rewards are very different from the driver who sits behind a plastic screen and on most occasions doesn't even speak when taking the fare. Bus drivers can become coach drivers overnight but to become an 'ambassador' will take a little bit longer.

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Letter of the Week

Why not dispose of the FDR system?

WHILE the fuel duty protest remains in the public eye it is important for the industry to consider carefully its representations to government. Protests and vox populi may attract media attention but any case must be properly presented and not on the basis of personal hardship or emotional plea.

There are two strong cases to present, and each must be considered properly as it is only by building a sound case that the facts may be known. The first case is that of FDR by itself, and the application to all coach and bus operation.

Much of current coach operation is the carriage of children and this is as much an economic necessity today as the original intention of getting the workers to work. A coach to Blackpool releases about 15 car-parking spaces - and commuter coaches do an equally important job.

Coaching holidays are frequently the preserve of the elderly and, if they deserve cheap entertainment from TV licence remission, social justice requires some consideration of fuel duty paid for through their fares. Even the occasional darts team hire has a part to play in reducing drink driving and, with the remission of fuel duty, should come a closer level of regulation of drivers' hours and standards. The coaching industry is no longer a bastard offshoot of the bus industry but a public service in its own right. As such it deserves the benefits of FDR as much as any bus service.

Accepting the above case creates an overwhelming case for the total abolition of the whole FDR pyramid. The continual recording of mileage and submission of returns, to be audited and paid for then reaudited by the Civil Service is becoming a slowly growing monster. Finite detail requires infinite numbers of checkers and, with millions of miles to be assessed each year, and remeasured every time a new roundabout is constructed, is time consuming, and the miles per route may vary in actuality of 0.2 m per working day.

To base a notional payment on an imaginary figure and then reconcile by virtue of 12-month-old records is the ideal playground for Parkinson's Law. The sensible action would be to dispose of the FDR system and to offer all public transport the use of red diesel. This could then be enforced by C&E and all the paperwork abolished.

Regulatory fines would replace the repayment of FDR and we could all continue to run our businesses as efficiently and correctly as we do at the moment. Monitoring of fuel usage would continue, obviously, but would be related to vehicle mileage only. The entire case should be based on public interest and administrative economy, and removed from the whims of political thought.

GLYN WILLIAMS
Glyn Williams Travel
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Caerphilly

Vehicle is a Leyland Leopard/Duple

I'VE BEEN looking at the picture of the 1966 England Team Coach on page 20 (*CBW*, 20 October). I believe the vehicle is HRO 655C, a Leyland Leopard PSU3/3R with Duple (Northern) Commander bodywork new to Lewis Cronshaw Ltd of Hendon in April 1965. The company was merged with Valliant Direct Coaches Ltd of Ealing in 1966 and traded as Valliant-Cronshaw. The vehicle was sold by Valliant-Cronshaw in 1969 but I don't know what became of it after that.

PETER HORRIDGE
(e-mail letter)

What about a foundation degree for our industry?

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ALL governments do it... seek to expand higher education numbers, sometimes without much apparent regard to the economic benefits. Stand by for the new BA (Hons.) in Circus Skills from Billericay University. No, not really.

What we do have, though, is a newly-announced Foundation Degree: two-year programmes (or the part-time equivalent) bringing school leavers or existing employees up to the level of the old pass degree. That is, to a slightly more advanced standard than a higher national diploma.

The Government's stated aim is to increase the number of highly skilled technicians and what they call "associate professionals". An unstated aim is to gather the political kudos attaching to an increase in the proportion of the 18-plus cohort at university.

Is there an opportunity here for the bus and coach industry? Is there employer interest in a Foundation Degree for our industry?

One idea might be to provide such a degree in engineering maintenance, targeting existing staff with industry qualifications. These may have been gained, for example, through the Modern Apprenticeship programme.

A key aim could be the achievement of the S/NVQ at level 4 in managing automotive maintenance.

Alternatively – or additionally – perhaps we need a qualification at this level for operations staff. This might be of appeal directly to school leavers as well as current employees. It has even been suggested that an industry-generic qualification should be put together, with maintenance and operations options.

Whatever the final choice, we should be aware that, if we do nothing, others will be devising qualifications in a variety of alternatives which may appeal to potential entrants to our industry.

Can we afford to lose any more potential recruits? More importantly, is there a need for qualifications at this level which universities are uniquely placed to fulfil?

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Top team in the Bus Industry 2000 Awards, Arriva The Shires & Essex, collected the Belmont International Bus Operator of the Year award

Judges spoilt for choice at the Bus Industry Awards

Stiff competition and many categories almost too close to call at London Hilton Hotel event. Martin Cole reports

REFLECTING the importance of the annual Bus Industry Awards, London's Hilton Hotel was packed on 21 November by representatives of the country's leading bus operators and transport authorities that have been actively pursuing improvements in public transport. And transport minister Keith Hill was on hand to present the trophies.

The organisers said it had been very difficult to choose winners in nearly all categories as the standard of entries had been very high. They praised all entrants for submitting viable projects.

This year's top accolade, the **Belmont International Bus Operator of the Year,** went to **Arriva The Shires & Essex** for its holistic marketing management approach (*CBW*, 23 November). The scheme reaped dividends over the past 12 months and produced patronage growth of 1.5% across the network, which has intrinsic high car ownership. The marketing budget for 2000 equates to 1% of turnover and is seen by the company as a key factor in delivering further passenger growth. Its marketing department is the largest in the Arriva Group and fully supports this strategy.

Trent & Barton Buses was runner up in the category. The company has consistently featured in the awards over the last few years, reflecting its policy of providing good service to its customers. Coupled with a 'no-quibble' guarantee of money back if not satisfied, customers are invited to comment on the quality of the services and Trent's managers regularly travel on them. Mystery travellers are also employed to provide checks on service quality and driver/passenger interface.

Go North East and **First Mainline** were both highly commended for their entries, Go North East for its customer relations development and Mainline for its all-round package for its employees and its customer feedback and analysis system that has led to a customer-based approach to network development and resulted in higher passenger numbers.

The TDI Marketing First Award went to **Arriva Fox County** for its direct mail campaign to increase public awareness of the improvements made to bus services in their area. The information was specifically targeted using socio-economic mapping and strenuous efforts had been made to provide clearer promotional material.

First Bradford was runner up and chosen for instigating the country's first smartcard ticketing system - FirstCard. Judges were particularly impressed by the card's ability to offer a 'Bus Miles' loyalty scheme and for its ease of replenishment.

Brighton & Hove Bus & Coach Company's Bus-ID entry was highly commended ▶▶▶

Brighton & Hove' Bus Company's Roger French (right) collects a marketing award from transport minister Keith Hill

...judges spoilt for choice at BIA

and so was **Translink** for its campaign in Northern Ireland where individuals, staff and major employers had been encouraged to travel to and from work and to make business trips by public transport. Brighton & Hove had sought to create a young persons' 'must have' attitude to identity cards that encouraged wide take-up. The objective was to create a database of young public transport users that could be targeted with fare promotions and incentive schemes in a bid to retain their loyalty.

An additional 'commended' entry was from **Arriva The Shires & Essex** for its Zip operation where six-seater people carriers offer a 20-minute service in Harlow and aim to combine the elements of travel by car, bus and taxi - effectively providing a bridge between car/taxi transport and bus travel.

Marsh UK's Marketing Award for local authority/joint, was won by **Arriva The Shires & Essex** and **Essex County Council**. The scheme concerned their Metro 10 operation that serves Church Langley, a new development on the outskirts of Harlow. The partners targeted the area successfully, aided by a contribution from Croudace Homes, the developer, and have elicited strong support for Metro 10 - it now carries some 2,300 passengers per week.

Runners up in this class were **BAA Gatwick** with **West Sussex County Council** and **Metrobus** for their Gatwick Direct local bus service. Sponsored by BAA, the services were designed around the needs of airport staff and served to significantly reduce private car use.

Three other entries emerged as highly commended. **Telford & Wrekin Council** with **Arriva Midlands North** were recognised for their Redline 44 operation launched in February 2000 after 18 months of development in redrawing all the core bus routes in Telford. The scheme has had over £2m invested, including high-profile publicity in an attempt to arrest long-term decline in bus patronage.

Lincolnshire County Council and partners were highly commended for Inter-Connect, which has seen **Lincs Road Car, Appleby's Coaches, Hunt's Coaches** and **Translinc**, combine their efforts to attract passenger growth of 70%. The route is also supported by City Graphics.

Moray Council and **Stagecoach Bluebird** were also highly commended for their Young Persons Fair Travel Scheme which aims to provide young people with ready access to local leisure facilities. It was created in response to requirements highlighted by the Moray Drugs, Alcohol and HIV Forum that claimed public transport costs were to high. Trial schemes of reduced fares were introduced and now operate without financial subsidy or support.

Lincolnshire Road Car featured strongly again this year

Marsh UK Marketing Awards also cover the Bus Operator category and this year's winner was **Brighton & Hove Bus & Coach Company** for its Bus ID and Bus ID+ schemes - previously mentioned in the TDI Marketing Awards category. Runner up was **Arriva The Shires & Essex** for Route 280 which has sought to promote a long-term approach designed to influence affluent users that have a private car alternative. The marketing-led initiative created an initial 11% growth in patronage in 1998 and has achieved a 6.0% year-on-year growth.

Highly-commended entries included **Greater Manchester Travelcard** with all Manchester bus, train and tram operators for the System 1 Day Saver ticket. It allows multi-operator, multi-modal travel that is valid on all services, does not have to be purchased in advance and is easy to buy.

Arriva Northumbria's Teen Card gained similar approval and it was aimed at increasing patronage at times when buses had plenty of spare capacity, after 1800 hrs every evening and all day on Saturdays and Sundays. The scheme carries a flat fare of 50p anywhere in the county. Some 7,000 cards have been issued since the scheme began in January 2000.

First Manchester gained a highly commended recognition for its Day Ticket, the result of a fare and ticket rationalisation scheme to offer passengers a less complicated package. It was developed in response to customer needs and to assist in promoting customer loyalty in an area where there are over 40 competing bus operators at any given time.

Translink, together with **The Omnibus Partnership**, came top in the Tripscope-sponsored **Claudia Flanders Memorial Award**. The Easibus service provides accessible services, with an emphasis on customer care, across four bespoke bus routes in Bangor. Starting and terminating at the town's major shopping centre, the routes serve the town centre and bus and rail stations. Some section of the route have hail-and-ride operation.

Runners up were **Lincolnshire Road Car** with **Lincolnshire County Council** for accessibility on the Inter-Connect service. The route serves a large, sparsely populated area with lowfloor buses to ensure ease of access. Feeder services provided by other local operators, with lift-equipped vehicles, deliver passengers to accessible interchanges or stops with improved boarding capability provided by the council. Drivers on the service had undergone intensive disability awareness training.

Highly commended entries included **Nottingham City Council and Partners** for its Hospital bus accessibility. Services had been given priority in the area around hospitals and infrastructure improved to ensure people with disabilities could use the buses.

Hampshire County Council received similar acclaim for its Accessible Transport Strategy. Implemented in 1997 it catered for future provision of accessible services to meet the needs of older people as well as those with disabilities. Hampshire's research indicated improving access to bus and train

MTRU Wiggleybus: operating around Devizes

Bus in the Countryside Award

THE Bus in the Countryside Award was presented to MTRU and partners for the Wiltshire Wiggleybus Project. Supported by the Countryside Commission, Kennet District Council and Wiltshire County Council, it operates an hourly circular tour of villages in the Pewsey Vale. Its route is semi-fixed and it can divert to pick up passengers that call the communications centre to book a seat. The project gained assistance from the Pewsey Vale Transport Appraisal Group and a Travel Club has been formed to keep passengers in touch and to offer discounts on fares.

Runner up in this category was the already mentioned Clitheroe Interchange. Projects that were highly commended were Essex Council and partners for the Dengie Village Link and West Yorkshire PTE for Pennine Minibus.

High unemployment and high car ownership led Essex CC to examine the possibilities of a service to support the Dengie Peninsular - which was otherwise socially isolated. It created the Flexibus Dengie VillageLink to bring regular services to the area, operating on a demand-led principle. It connects with main bus and train services to offer wider travel options. Partners include First Eastern National, Arriva Southend, Maldon District Council, First Great Eastern local parish councils and Mid Essex Hospitals NHS Trust.

Pennine Minibus has added a further 19 routes to sparsely populated Pennine areas since last year. It has provided improved access to jobs, education, shopping, leisure and medical services. The project has been well-supported by rural bus newsletters, website pages and route planners.

Keith Hill and Brian King of Trent & Barton

Translink team collect Claudia Flanders award

services widened travel opportunities for both groups.

Stagecoach Devon and **Devon County Council'** Honiton park-and-ride scheme was another highly-commended entry and combined unusual partners between a road builder and a bus company. Honiton now has 370 car spaces on the secure site with a new shelter and dual-height information boards to aid passengers with disabilities. The scheme incorporates a number of infrastructure improvements, bus priorities and facilities for cyclists.

The recipient of the **Wedlake Saint 2000 Award for Services to the Industry** went to **Veronica Palmer** OBE, director general of the Confederation of Passenger Transport UK. Mrs Palmer has held this position since 1989 when she was appointed by the Bus & Coach Council. Prior to joining BCC she was Head of Parliamentary Affairs at the Brewers' Society and before this had been a squadron leader in the RAF. Mrs Palmer is also a Fellow of the Royal Society of Arts and the Chartered Institute of Transport. In 1977 she was awarded the MBE for military services and gained the OBE in 1994 for services to the transport industry. She is also a member of the Commission for Integrated Transport.

Barry Prior of Wedlake Saint announced Mrs Palmer's award and told the audience how she had raised the morale of a very fragmeted industry. He said she had striven to improve the reputation of the industry and continually pushed for higher quality standards to boost falling passenger levels. He believed the Government now recognised the contribution that buses made towards reducing congestion and environmental pollution, and that the industry now had the ear of ministers over a number of related issues.

Sema Group's Innovation Award was presented to **Birmingham City Council and Partners** for the Tyburn Road Bus Showcase Partnership. The project involved co-operation between a number of groups and was aimed at providing improvements to all aspects of bus travel. It included bus priority measures, special bus shelters, improved travel information, audio travel information, tactile paving, fully accessible lowfloor, articulated, buses and drivers trained in customer care. Partners in the project were **Travel West Midlands, West Midlands Police** and the **Castle Vale Housing Association Trust.**

Runner up spot in this category went to **ADBUS** for its Roadsider information displays at bus stops. Made from 90% recyclable material, Roadsider is almost vandal proof, fits to existing roadside infrastructure and is provided free to councils and bus companies. Highly commended entries came from **Stagecoach Holdings** with **Virgin Trains, Travel West Midlands** and **West Midlands Police,** and **Arriva Derby and partners.**

Stagecoach and **Virgin** developed an integrated travel service between its bus and train operations and used availability of through tickets. Since its launch it has seen a continued growth in ridership. **Travel West Midlands** and **West Midlands Police** were favoured for their co-operation to prevent escalation of robberies that were occurring on high-profile routes. Operation Hackney lasted four weeks and saw 39 arrests with robberies falling away to nil. Two police officers are now sponsored by TWM.

Arriva Derby and Partners sought to address the transport needs of 9,000 staff attending five Rolls Royce sites in Derby - where only 1.2% used public transport for work. The Green Travel Initiative ensured buses provided links to all sites at shift change times and complemented schedules with city and county services. Fares were revised and a travelcard scheme introduced. It was supported by **Rolls Royce,** in the form of interest-free loans to staff, for the purchase of travelcards. **Trent Buses** and **Derby City Council** also assisted with the scheme.

The Queensbury Shelters Infrastructure Award went the **Clitheroe Interchange,** a new bus station adjoining the rail station and ideal for modal integration. A control centre is manned until late at night and provides travellers with any details of train or bus times and can ensure integration between the services. Local buses are in contact with their operations base and train information is relayed to the control. Where passengers may miss a connection through an accident delaying a bus, or a problem on the rail line, staff in the control centre arrange onward travel. If no bus or train is scheduled within an acceptable time, a taxi will be summoned and the fare charged to the operator involved in the delay.

The Clitheroe Interchange was devised by **Lancashire County Council with partners Ribble Valley Borough Council, The Countryside Agency, The East Lancashire Partnership, Stagecoach Ribble, Blackburn Transport, First North Western and Railtrack.**

Runner up in this award went to **South Yorkshire PTE** for its Bus Station and Route Infrastructure Provision. The PTE currently provides and maintains five major interchanges, a community interchange, four on-street help points, four unmanned, satellite bus stations, 3,002 bus shelters and 7,735 bus stops.

Highly commended were **Translink** for its innovative Newry Bus Centre that spans the river to serve the old town centre and the new shopping precinct, and **Arriva The Shires & Essex, with Essex County Council** for the Harlow Express Bus Corridor. The service consists of a 4.5 km Express Bus Corridor linking a housing development with the town centre. It is the result of a public/private partnership and enjoys extensive bus priority measures.

The Buses For Pleasure Award was won by the **Cuckmere Community Bus and Partners.** Much of the Cuckmere Valley, now lost to conventional bus services and which is an area of outstanding natural beauty, now has a weekend bus service. The Cuckmere Rambler, that links remote villages and attractions with rail services at Berwick. This provided public transport links for the many weekend visitors to the area. A second service, the Charleston Rambler, has since been added to provide links with main bus services. **East Sussex County Council** and the **Sussex Downs Conservation Board** provided support.

Runners up were **Brecon Beacons National Park and partners** for the Beacons Bus Project. The service is funded by the EU and provides a network of Sunday routes from South Wales towns to the Brecon Beacons National Park. Increased visitors and overnight stays have created a number of local jobs. The project itself is on track to become self-financing at the end of its second year. Partners in the scheme include **Powys County Council, First Cymru, Cardiff City Transport, 60/60 Coaches, Jones Motors, Cardiff Railway** and **Wales & West.**

The final category was for the **Environment Award** and this went to **Express Travel Holdings for its Environmental Management Policy.** In addition to operating a coach, bus and engineering business in Liverpool, the company maintains MOD vehicles based in the Greater Merseyside area. It set out to achieve ISO14001 certification that required implementation of environment improvement programmes to achieve 'total quality' aims.

Runner up was **Merseytravel** with its SMARTeco programme. This is EU funded and aimed at achieving improved quality of life, through environmental improvements in urban areas.

Veronica Palmer: Wedlake Saint 2000 Award

Coach Industry Awards 2001

COACH AND BUS WEEK
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IN ASSOCIATION WITH THE COACH TOURISM COUNCIL

THE SEVENTH annual *CBW* Coach Industry Awards are edging ever closer, and with Christmas just around the corner it would be easy to put booking for this prestigious event off until the New Year.

The Awards will be held at the London Hilton Metropole on Saturday 10 February 2001 and, with the number of places strictly limited, it is important to remember that early booking is essential to ensure a place at the coach industry's most important event of the year.

Since the Awards began in 1994 their reputation has preceded them, inspiring an annual increase in demand and setting the industry alight with their yearly arrival.

Each Awards event is hailed as an astounding success, ensuring that to be shortlisted for an award is a highly-regarded accomplishment. To win is an acclaimed accolade and recognition of excellence from the industry.

This year, as always, a stunning venue has been secured, matching the importance and prestige of the event with the exclusive and sophisticated surroundings of the first-class rated Hilton London Metropole, close to Marble Arch, Hyde Park on Edgware Road.

The Awards are yet again set to be a social event which will be enjoyed by all and should not be missed. To make sure your place at the Awards is booked, just complete and return the coupon below. Table of 10 will cost £850 + VAT (£998.75). Tickets at £90 + VAT (£105.75). Overnight accommodation must be booked direct with the hotel on 020 7402 4141.

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SIMONDS Coach & Travel of Diss, Norfolk, has taken delivery of two Plaxton-bodied Volvo coaches.

The two coaches - a Plaxton Panther on mid-engined Volvo B10M and Plaxton Prima on rear-engined Volvo B7R - have been supplied by different dealers but were both put on the road at the end of the Summer season.

The Panther was an early order with Kirkby for Plaxton's new-generation Coach 2000 whereas the Prima was a Volvo Coach Sales stock vehicle purchased after the Loughborough-based dealership's Summer open days.

Director Martyn Simonds told *CBW* that the air-conditioned Panther was acquired as the company's flagship and carries the 'gold' leaf livery to signify its 'executive' status.

On the other hand, the Prima, has green and red leaves, reflecting its 53-seat standard coach layout. Simonds started in business 60 years ago and has a 40-vehicle fleet - mainly Volvos - but including some service buses.

Wright vehicles for CMT

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MERSEYSIDE'S biggest family-owned bus operator, CMT Buses, has taken delivery of a further batch of Wright-bodied buses as it continues to upgrade its fleet. The company, which runs 114 vehicles, has bought 70 new buses in the last five years - and Wright has supplied the vast majority.

"Since we bought our first Wright body that has been our preferred choice," said CMT Buses managing director Jeff Grant, "and our future policy is to standardise on Wright's products."

Mr Grant sees Wright's quality and after sales support as key factors influencing his choice. The latest buses - four X-registered Renowns on Volvo B10BLE chassis - are being used on CMT's commercial services in and around Liverpool.

"As a significant player on Merseyside we see it as important to invest in modern lowfloor vehicles," said Mr Grant. "The average age of our fleet is now under seven years and 50% of the fleet is lowfloor.

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Cheetah ideal for wide range of work says Cumbrian operator

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A CUMBRIAN coach operator who specialises in transporting small groups has just taken delivery of a second Plaxton Cheetah. Ken Routledge, based just outside Cockermouth, found his first Cheetah so popular with customers that he decided to invest in a second.

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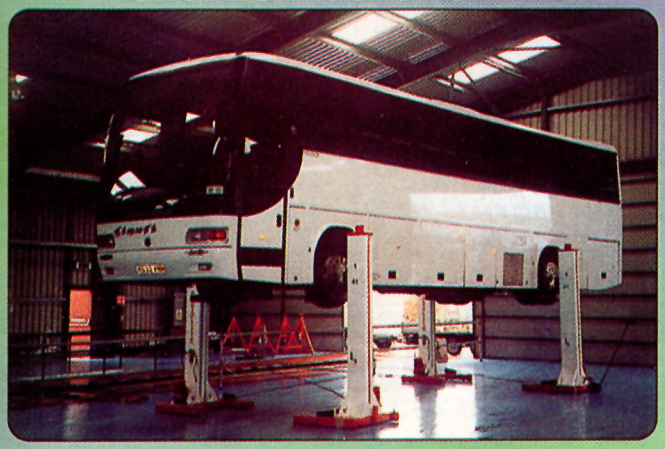

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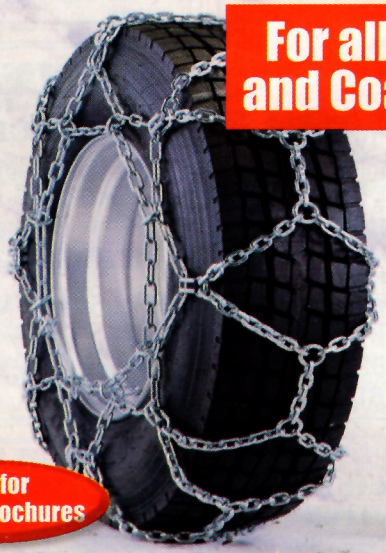

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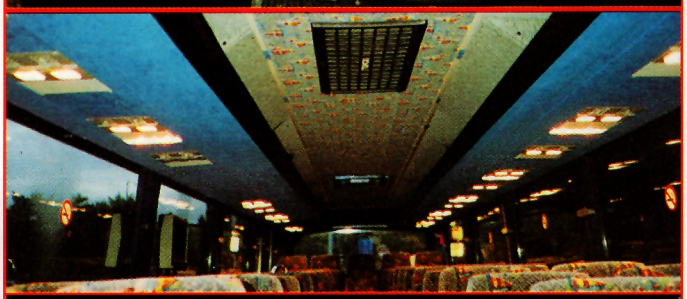

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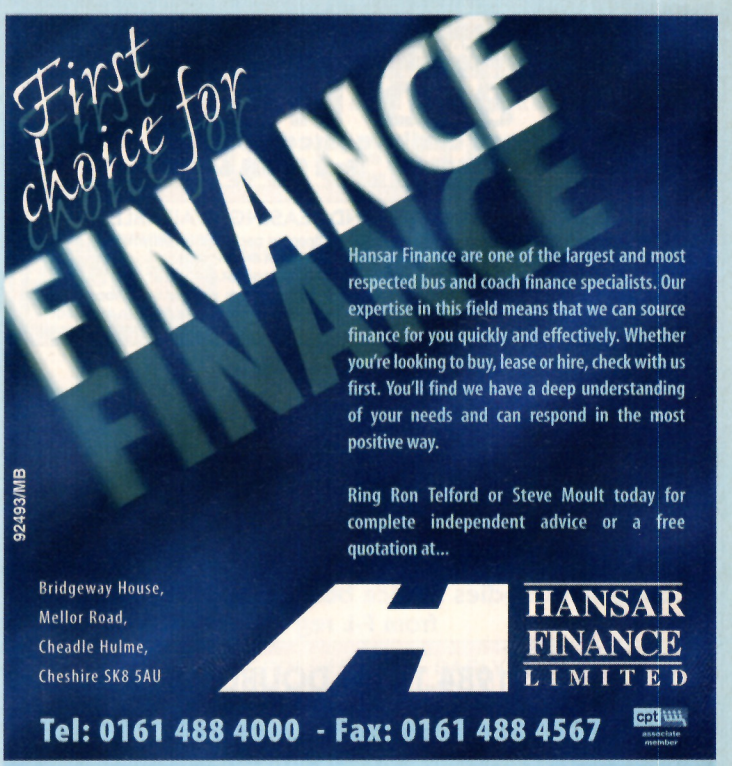
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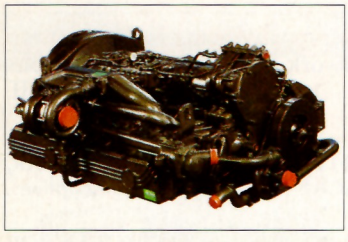

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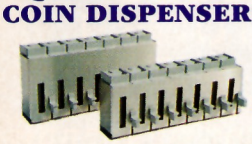

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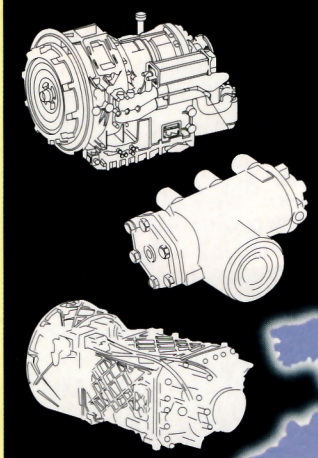

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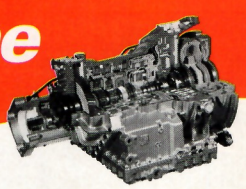

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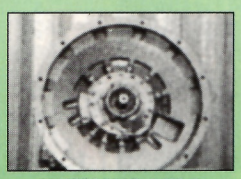

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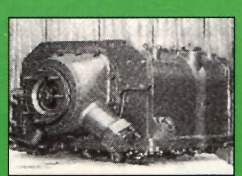

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NORFOLK COUNTY COUNCIL Department of Planning and Transportation Tender Results

In accordance with Section 90 of the Transport Act 1985 and associated regulations, the results of Tenders for Local Bus Service contracts tendered in batch T5146 and T5155 are now published.
Copies of the document may be viewed at County Hall, Norwich (Department of Planning and Transportation reception, Third Floor) or at any Public Library in Norfolk during the month of December.

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Stagecoach Midlands and North West
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STOCKPORT
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PEOPLE

New WA national sales manager

WALLACE Arnold has appointed Sue Copper as its new national sales manager. Ms Copper has over 21 years experience in the travel market. She joins the WA from National Express' coaching division, where she had been a sales manager responsible for its operations within the retail and tour operator market for the past three years. Prior to that she worked for the former ferry operator Sally Line for a total of six years, firstly as a retail trainer and merchandiser co-ordinator and then as an account manager in sales to travel agents. Ms Copper's career in travel began as cabin crew for Britannia Airways and she has also helped to set up a business travel specialist.

Wallace Arnold's new national sales manager Sue Copper joins from Nat Ex

John Pope appointed

JOHN POPE, the former managing director of Nottingham City Transport, has been appointed commercial director of Stagecoach East Midlands with effect from 1 January.

Mr Pope will report directly to managing director Paul Lynch and head a newly formed commercial section designed to develop the company's services and encompassing all aspects of network and route planning, customer initiatives, fares, ticketing, press and public relations, marketing and monitoring.

A consequence of this appointment will be that Richard Kay, operations director, who is currently responsible for both commercial and operational matters, will be able to concentrate solely on the latter with the operations managers continuing to report to him.

Paul Lynch said this was important not just because of the need to give greater focus to the day-to-day operations but also because of the upcoming change which will include Stagecoach Hull as part of the East Midland company.

Dunn award

THE Institute of Road Transport Engineers (IRTE) has awarded Bob Dunn the 'John Savage Rose Bowl' and a Diploma for the best article in the *Transport Engineer* journal. The article follows Mr Dunn's involvement with the IRTEC's various committees to introduce the licensing of Road Transport Engineers for all coach, bus and road haulage transport engineers.

Chevin expands support team

TIM Harrison has joined the staff of Derbyshire-based Chevin Computer Systems as software support technician. Mr Harrison, 20, who has a national diploma in computer studies, amassed a wealth of experience with the customer support team at Derby Office Machines.

He now aims to help Chevin's customers make the most of the power and flexible structure of the company's products, including its Internet/Intranet-based fleet management system - Fleet Monkey - and its desk-top-based systems, RoadBASE and Easy-Fleet.

He said: "The job of enabling users to make the most of their computer systems is a challenge I'm looking forward to. Chevin is a very forward-looking company and advances such as those being created here inevitably entail some degree of customer support - it's unavoidable when a company is at the cutting edge."

Chevin md Ashley Sowerby added: "As we continued our expansion, we became aware that we needed to considerably strengthen our team, which we've now done with the addition of Tim. We're sure he'll be a real asset."

OBITUARY

DOCTOR Nesbitt Hefferman, one of the co-founders and later, managing director, of Thames Weald bus services, died this month. Dr Hefferman, who was once a psychiatrist at Darenth Hospital, was in his eighties.

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53 reclining seats
1999 DAF SB3000 auto VAN HOOL ALIZEE H
49 reclining seats, centre sunken toilet, air conditioning
1999 EOS 90 man MAN eng
49 reclining seats, centre sunken toilet, air conditioning
1998 DAF SB3000 man VAN HOOL ALIZEE H
49 reclining seats, centre sunken toilet, air conditioning
1998 DAF SB3000 auto VAN HOOL ALIZEE H
53 reclining seats, centre continental door, air conditioning
1998 DAF SB3000 auto PLAXTON EXCALIBER
53 reclining seats
1998 EOS 90 man MAN eng
49 reclining seats, rear saloon toilet, air conditioning
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49 reclining seats, centre sunken toilet, air conditioning
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51 reclining seats, centre sunken toilet, air conditioning
1997 DAF SB3000 auto VAN HOOL ALIZEE H
53 reclining seats
1997 DAF SB3000 man VAN HOOL ALIZEE H
51 reclining seats, rear saloon toilet
1997 DAF SB3000 auto PLAXTON 350
53 reclining seats
1997 DAF SB3000 man IKARUS 396
49 reclining seats, centre sunken toilet, air conditioning, £95,000
1997 DAF SB3000 man IKARUS 350
51 reclining seats, rear saloon toilet, £85,000
1997 EOS 90 man MAN eng
49 reclining seats, centre sunken toilet, air conditioning
1996 DAF SB3000 man VAN HOOL ALIZEE DH
51 reclining seats, centre sunken toilet, air conditioning
1996 DAF SB3000 auto VAN HOOL ALIZEE H
49 reclining seats, centre sunken toilet, air conditioning
1996 DAF SB3000 man IKARUS 396
49 reclining seats, centre sunken toilet, £85,000
1996 DAF SB3000 man IKARUS 350
55 reclining seats, £69,500
1996 EOS 90 auto MAN eng
49 reclining seats, rear saloon toilet, air conditioning
1995 DAF SB3000 man VAN HOOL ALIZEE H
55 reclining seats
1995 DAF SB3000 man VAN HOOL ALIZEE H
51 reclining seats, rear saloon toilet
1995 DAF SB3000 man VAN HOOL ALIZEE DH
51 reclining seats, centre sunken toilet, air conditioning
1995 DAF MB230 man VAN HOOL ALIZEE H
51 reclining seats, centre sunken toilet, air conditioning
1995 EOS 90 man MAN eng
49 reclining seats, rear saloon toilet
1994 DAF SB3000 auto VAN HOOL ALIZEE H
55 reclining seats
1994 DAF MB230 man VAN HOOL ALIZEE H
53 reclining seats, rear saloon toilet, no back window
1994 DAF SB2700 auto VAN HOOL ALIZEE H
49 reclining seats, centre sunken toilet
1994 DAF SB3000 m/ret VAN HOOL ALIZEE DH
51 reclining seats, centre sunken toilet
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51 reclining seats, centre sunken toilet, £95,000
1994 DAF MB230 auto VAN HOOL ALIZEE H
51 reclining seats, centre sunken toilet
1994 EOS 90 man MAN eng
49 reclining seats, rear saloon toilet, air conditioning, £89,500
1994 EOS 90 man MAN eng
51 reclining seats, rear saloon toilet, £95,000
1993 DAF SB3000 man VAN HOOL ALIZEE H
53 reclining seats
1993 DAF SB3000 auto VAN HOOL ALIZEE H
51 reclining seats, rear saloon toilet
1993 DAF MB230 man VAN HOOL ALIZEE H
51 reclining seats, centre sunken toilet
1993 DAF MB230 auto VAN HOOL ALIZEE H
55 reclining seats, rear continental door
1993 SETRA man MAN eng
49 reclining seats, centre sunken toilet, air conditioning, £65,000
1992 DAF SB2305 man VAN HOOL ALIZEE DH
51 reclining seats, centre sunken toilet, £59,500
1992 DAF SB3000 man VAN HOOL ALIZEE DH
51 reclining seats, centre sunken toilet, £64,500
1992 DAF MB230 man VAN HOOL ALIZEE H
51 reclining seats, centre sunken toilet, £64,500
1992 DAF SB2305 man PLAXTON 3200 DH
55 reclining seats, £49,500
1992 VAN HOOL man MAN eng T815
49 reclining seats, centre sunken toilet, £52,500
1990 DAF SB3000 man VAN HOOL ALIZEE SH
49 reclining seats, centre sunken toilet, £49,500
1990 DAF MB230 man VAN HOOL ALIZEE H
51 reclining seats, centre sunken toilet, £47,000
1990 DAF SB3000 man PLAXTON 3500
53 reclining seats, £45,000
1990 DAF MB230 man PLAXTON 3500
49 reclining seats, rear saloon toilet, £39,500
1990 DAF DHTD man DUPLE 320
57 reclining seats, £34,500
1989 DAF SB2305 man VAN HOOL ALIZEE DH
51 reclining seats, centre sunken toilet, £34,500
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49 reclining seats, centre sunken toilet, £39,850
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